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INTRODUCTION

SOME two years ago I became interested in the genealogy of the Kent family and after gathering and assembling all available data (at least all that was available to me at the time) I embodied it in a booklet which I called "Kent Family Record." My first intention was to have five or six typewritten copies made and distributed among the nearest members of the family. But as the scope of my investigation and inquiry widened, bringing me in touch with branches and members of the family with whom at the time I was not so well acquainted, it became evident that the record would be of enough interest to warrant a wider distribution, and one hundred copies in the form of a printed booklet were made. In this booklet I did not attempt to include any of the younger generation except those directly descended from my parents, William and Martha Jane (Hitchens) Kent, of Williamsport, Warren County, Indiana.

The major portion of the records contained in the original booklet had been collected over a period of half a century, principally by my sisters Mary R. Kent and Ella Kent, who had obtained the data from entries in family Bibles, inscriptions on tombstones and scraps of information furnished from time to time by older members of the family. While a few minor errors have since been found, it is gratifying to have had so much of the data verified by later research.

After the publication of the booklet, it was suggested to me that I try to collect sufficient information to warrant the publication of another volume. It was my intention in this volume to trace the ancestry of both the paternal and maternal sides of the Indiana branch of the family, and to include as many descendants on both sides of the house as could be found. I did not expect to

include the descendants of other branches of the Kent family. Since commencing this work, a great deal of information has come to hand pertaining to other branches, and this has been included.

It is not claimed that the present book is entirely free from error. Such a result could not possibly be attained. Since commencing the compilation of the data, many inaccuracies have come to my attention, particularly with respect to the older records. Many of these records had been handed down by word of mouth, or had been copied and recopied, and in that way errors had occurred. Also, in many instances, there have been differences in the information furnished by various members of the family. In all such cases, that which seemed to me the most reliable was used.

In deciding on the arrangement of the material, a number of plans were considered. The one finally adopted is believed to be the simplest and the one most easily followed by others who may desire to pursue the investigation of any particular line.

An explanation of the system of numbering hardly seems necessary. The Arabic numerals at the head of each section indicate, of course, the number of the family, while the Roman numerals preceding each name indicate the number of the individual. The first person mentioned in the caption "Children of———— and————" is the one related by blood to our family, while the second is the name of the husband or wife. The numbers enclosed in parentheses refer to the family and individual number of the person so indicated, as shown on the preceding pages.

My father William Kent, eldest son and second child of Perrin Kent, married Martha Jane Hitchens, daughter of Elisha and Mary (King) Hitchens, in 1847. Mary King's mother was Hannah Fennimore, whose ancestor, Richard Fennimore, came to America about 1678, possibly on the "Kent." He settled in Burlington County, New Jersey, and the family remained there for several generations. Another ancestor, Adam Mott, was born in Cambridge County, England, in 1596, and came to America on

the ship "Defence" in 1635, bringing with him his wife, Sarah, and five children, ranging in age from four to fourteen years.

Perrin Kent married Rebecca Dill, whose great-grandfather, Captain Matthew Dill, lived in Pennsylvania in Colonial days, and who died in 1750 and is buried in Dillsburg, York County, Penna. Perrin Kent's mother was Sarah Perrin, who married William Kent in 1789, and whose family had lived in Maryland for many years, Sarah having been born in or near Hagerstown. The Perrins were large land owners in Washington and Frederick Counties, Maryland.

Several of the families from whom we are descended were pioneer residents of Ross County, Ohio, the Kent, Dill, Hitchens, King and England families having gone there between 1797 and 1810. Perrin Kent removed to Warren County, Indiana, in 1826. Within the next fifteen years several members of the Dill, Hitchens and King families had settled in Warren and Tippecanoe Counties, and some of their descendants are still there.

I have endeavored to include in this book the names, and as far as possible the date of birth, of all of the lineal descendants of Perrin Kent. The family is now scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific and it is not only possible but extremely probable that the names of some have been omitted. It is believed, however, that practically all have been located and their names, if not the exact date of birth, obtained.

In order to make it easier to trace the direct line of descent, I have placed the words "our ancestor" after a number of names. The persons so designated are ancestors of all of the descendants of William and Martha Jane (Hitchens) Kent.

The question has been raised as to the location of what I have called "Gopher Hill Cemetery," where so many of our relatives are buried. This cemetery is in Section 7, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, on the east side of the public road and approximately one-half mile north of the line dividing Kent and Mound Townships, Warren County, Indiana. "Gopher Hill" church for-

merly stood near the cemetery, but the church edifice was moved away a number of years ago. "Gopher Hill" school stands a short distance north of the cemetery and, so far as I know, is still in use.

I have never married and shall, in all probability, remain in a state of single blessedness to the end of my days. In that event, I shall leave behind me no descendants bearing the Kent family name, upon whom I might depend to preserve the continuity of this record. It is my earnest hope, however, that for the pleasure and edification of future generations other living relatives will carry on the work which I have begun here, and which has brought me in touch with many, far and near, of whom I might not otherwise have heard, and whose assistance has been of so much value to me in compiling this genealogy.

In conclusion, may I say that it has been a constant source of gratification to me to find, as the record unfolded, that so many of our progenitors were, in the truest sense, Builders of America. In that sense each one of us may feel justly proud of the fact that he or she forms a link, however small, in the great chain connecting the past with the future of our national life.

ARTHUR SCOTT KENT.

Chicago, April 3, 1933.

CHAPTER I.

The Kent Family.

IN THE booklet "Kent Family Record," pp. 15 and 16, it was suggested that Joseph Kent, of Washington County, Penna., and Absalom Kent, of Fayette County, Penna., may have been brothers of our ancestor, William Kent, and that possibly they were grandsons of Richard Kent of Fairfax County, Virginia. It was also suggested that Joseph's wife, Ann Rankin, may have been a sister of Sarah Perrin, who married William Kent. These were suppositions merely and at this writing it has not been found possible to confirm them; but from information obtained from various sources, including the notes of Martha Foreman Johnson, great-great-granddaughter of Joseph and Ann Rankin Kent, it seems extremely probable that Joseph, Absalom and William Kent were brothers, but that they were not descendants of Richard Kent, although they may have been related to him. It is believed that Ann was related to Sarah Perrin, although it is possible that they were not sisters.

According to Mrs. Johnson's records, the parents of Joseph and Absalom Kent were Absalom and Ann Kent. Our own family records, which are believed to be thoroughly reliable, state that William's parents were Absalom and Nancy Kent. As "Nancy" is a diminutive of "Ann," the records in that respect are practically identical. In addition to the three brothers, there is said to have been a sister, Susan. There may have been other children, but their names are not known. The search for definite information in regard to the elder Absalom's death, as well as incidents in connection with his life in Old Town, Maryland, has been greatly handicapped by the fact that the records in Alleghany County do not go back of 1791, prior records having been destroyed by fire.

In Mrs. Johnson's notes, the date of Ann's birth is said to have been 1707. This is the only apparent inconsistency in the record. Our ancestor, William Kent, was born in 1763. His mother may have been born in 1717 instead of 1707.

The following is offered as a probability, although it should be understood that the evidence is not absolutely conclusive:

FIRST GENERATION.

ABSALOM KENT. Born Feby. 15, 1702, in England. Came to America about 1751, settling first in Fairfax County, Va. and moving to Old Town, Md. prior to 1763. Believed to have been killed by Indians about 1765.

ANN (or Nancy), wife of Absalom Kent, born in England Oct. 26, 1707 or 1717.

1.

Children of Absalom and Ann (or Nancy) Kent:

i. JOSEPH KENT. Born Dec. 24, 1750, in England. Died in 1856, aged 106 years. Married July 17, 1787, Ann, widow of Zachariah Rankin.

ii. ABSALOM KENT. Born Oct. 16, 1752, in Fairfax County, Va. Married Tabitha————.

iii. SUSAN KENT. Married————.

iv. WILLIAM KENT (our ancestor). Born Oct. 3, 1763, at or near Old Town, Md. Died Mar. 24, 1849, in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio. Married in Washington County, Penna., Feby. 24, 1789, Sarah Perrin, daughter of Edward and Ann (Kelley) Perrin.

SECOND GENERATION.

2.

WILLIAM KENT, son of Absalom and Nancy Kent, was born Oct. 3, 1763, at Old Town, Maryland. Died Mar. 24, 1849, in Ross County, Ohio. Married in Washington County, Pa., Feby. 24, 1789, Sarah Perrin.

Sarah Perrin, daughter of Edward and Ann (Kelley) Perrin, was born Mar. 24, 1770, at Hagerstown, Md. Died Aug. 16, 1839, in Ross County, Ohio. Both William and Sarah are buried at Bainbridge, O.

THIRD GENERATION.

3.

Children of William Kent and Sarah Perrin:

The first five children were born in Washington County, Pa.; the others in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio.

i. Edward Kent. Born Dec. 13, 1789. Died young.

ii. Drusilla Kent. Born May 23, 1791. Married Ephraim Wilson. Thought to have died in Ripley County, Ind.

iii. Susannah Kent. Born Mar. 25, 1793. Married Joseph Reeder.

iv. Perrin Kent. (Our ancestor). Born July 11, 1794. Died Jany. 30, 1882, in Kent Township, Warren Co., Ind. Married in Ross Co., Ohio, April 17, 1818, Rebecca Dill, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Hamilton) Dill, who was born Dec. 22, 1792, near Harrisburg, Pa. and died June 9, 1863, in Warren Co. Both are buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

v. Absalom Kent. Born Jany. 16, 1796. Married in Ross Co., O. Isabel Dill, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Hamilton) Dill.

vi. Deborah Kent.
vii. Rebecca Kent. } Born Nov. 1, 1797. Died young.

viii. Nancy Kent. Born April 28, 1800. (unmarried).

ix. William Kent. Born Mar. 1, 1802. Died Apr. 8, 1876, in Knoxville, Iowa. Married in Ross Co., O. Mar. 25, 1830, Nancy K. Walker, who died Oct. 4, 1885. Both are buried in Teter Cemetery, about 5 miles north of Knoxville.

x. Josiah Pillow Kent. Born Nov. 28, 1804. Died July 28, 1856, near Illiopolis, Ills. Buried in Long Point Cemetery, at Niantic, Ills. Married in Ross Co., O. Aug. 2, 1836,

Clarissa Poole, who was born Nov. 19, 1816, in Maryland and died in August, 1900.

xi. Joseph Bell Kent. Born Feb. 14, 1806. Died Nov. 14, 1889, in Andrew County, Mo. Buried in Bedford Chapel Cemetery, near Savannah, Mo. Married in Ross County, O. Oct. 27, 1829, Elizabeth Staley, who was born in 1809 in Boutetourt County, Va. and died Aug. 16, 1844, in Buchanan County, Mo. Married (2) in Ross County, O. Mar. 27, 1845, Anna Evans, who was born Aug. 29, 1825, in Ross County, O. and died Aug. 8, 1907, in Salina, Kans.

xii. John Kelley Kent. Born Nov. 21, 1807. Married in Warren County, Ind. by Hon. Eleazer Purviance, June 24, 1838, Lucinda Rakestraw.

xiii. Jesse Harrison Kent. Born Nov. 16, 1809. Died Sept. 7, 1886, at Springfield, Ills. Buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery. Married in Christian County, Ills. in 1838, Lydia A. Walker, who was born June 23, 1817, in Virginia and died July 16, 1862, in Springfield. Buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

xiv. Sally Ann Kent. Born July 11, 1811. Died near Rousseau, Marion County, Iowa. Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, about 2 miles north of Knoxville. Married James Blaine.

xv. Sybil Ann Kent. Born Jany. 26, 1813. Died prior to 1845. Married Thomas Myers.

xvi. Catherine Kent. Born Dec. 12, 1814. Married ———— Hayes.

xvii. James Kent. Born Aug. 23, 1818. Died young.

FOURTH GENERATION.

4.

Children of Perrin Kent (3-iv) and Rebecca Dill:

The first four children were born in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio; the others in Kent Township, Warren County, Indiana.

i. Charlotte Dill Kent. Born July 12, 1819. Died Jany. 12, 1877, in Warren Co., Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Ceme-

tery. Married in Warren Co. by Rev. Ancel Beach, June 18, 1838, Col. Ebenezer F. Lucas, son of Joshua Holland and Elizabeth (Adams) Lucas, who was born Feb. 22, 1807, in Washington County, Pa. and died Aug. 8, 1871, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

ii. WILLIAM KENT. (Our ancestor). Born May 15, 1821. Died May 10, 1884, in Williamsport, Ind. Married in Williamsport by Rev. Jabez Neal, April 6, 1847, Martha Jane Hitchens, daughter of Elisha and Mary (King) Hitchens, who was born April 3, 1827, in Ross County, Ohio, and died April 2, 1899, in Williamsport. Both are buried in Hillside Cemetery near Williamsport.

iii. JOHN WALLACE KENT. Born June 24, 1823. Died Mar. 8, 1905, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery, Danville. Married (1) in Warren County, Ind. by Rev. I. H. Aldrich, May 10, 1849, Martha J. Clark, daughter of Daniel and Martha (King) Clark, who was born Feb. 12, 1828, probably in Ohio, and died Feb. 12, 1852, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married (2) in Warren County, by Rev. Amos Jones, June 14, 1855, Hester A. Tomlinson, daughter of Jesse and Mary (McFarland) Tomlinson, who was born Feb. 20, 1826, in Chillicothe, Ohio, and died Apr. 8, 1866, in Warren County. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married (3) in Edgar County, Ills. Oct. 1, 1867, Katharine Wallace, daughter of John D. and Martha (Guthrie) Wallace, who was born Aug. 16, 1840, in Chillicothe, Ohio, and died May 13, 1917, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery.

iv. SARAH KENT. Born May 1, 1826. Died Sept. 24, 1894, in Denver, Colo. and buried there in Fairmount Cemetery. Married in Warren Co., Ind. by Rev. Colbrath Hall, June 18, 1850, Supply Woods, who was born Aug. 31, 1824, in Butler Co., Ohio, and died Sept. 29, 1854, in Vermilion Co., Ills. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

v. THOMAS DILL KENT. Born July 28, 1828. Died Feby. 14, 1874, in Marshfield, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married (1) Virginia Wallace, daughter of Thomas D. and Eliza (Carmichael) Wallace, who was born Apr. 17, 1840, and died in Warren Co. Apr. 21, 1868. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

Married (2) in Warren Co. by Rev. J. Mitchell, Oct. 23, 1872, Harriet A. Vroman, daughter of Adam P. and Katherine (Laucks) Vroman, who was born Feb. 18, 1844, in Shelby, N. Y. and died Aug. 29, 1902, in Hyannis, Mass.

vi. Rebecca Dill Kent. Born May 28, 1830. Died Nov. 23, 1887, in Warren Co. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married in Warren Co. by Rev. Henry M. Bacon, Dec. 14, 1852, Ralph Erskine Carmichael, son of Duncan and Catherine (Crane) Carmichael, who was born Nov. 29, 1827, in Dearborn Co., Ind. and died Nov. 8, 1858, in Warren Co. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

vii. Isabel Kent. Born Sept. 7, 1832. Died Mar. 31, 1910, in Covington, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married (1) in Kent Township, Warren Co., by Rev. Colbrath Hall, Nov. 7, 1850, George Warren, who was born in 1824 and died July 7, 1855, in Warren Co. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married (2) in Marshfield, Ind. by Rev. D. P. Syn, Dec. 13, 1866, William P. Hannah, son of Samuel and Eleanor (Bishop) Hannah, who was born Aug. 23, 1827 and died Mar. 14, 1901. Buried in Mann's Chapel Cemetery, Vermilion Co., Ills.

viii. Caroline Kent. Born Oct. 22, 1834. Died May 3, 1910, in Danville, Ills. Married in Kent Township, Warren Co. by Rev. Henry M. Bacon, Dec. 25, 1860, Francis G. DuBois, son of Abraham and Julia Ann (Randall) DuBois, who was born Jany. 9, 1835 and died Mar. 31, 1900, in Danville, Ills. Both are buried in Spring Hill Cemetery, Danville.

5.

Children of William Kent (3-ix) and Nancy K. Walker:

All of the children were probably born in Ross County, Ohio.

i. John W. Kent. Born Sept. 19, 1831. Died Apr. 17, 1917, at Rousseau, Iowa. Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, about two miles north of Knoxville, Iowa.

ii. Sarah Jane Kent. Born Sept. 26, 1833. Died May 10, 1918. Buried in Greenwood Cemetery. Married Sept. 16, 1852, Samuel Amos.

iii. Mary Margaret Kent. Born Jany. 29, 1837. Died Sept. 1, 1908. Married John Lum, in 1859.

iv. Nancy E. Kent. Born July 9, 1840. Died Aug. 21, 1904, in Bakersfield, Calif. and buried there. Married Jany. 8, 1857, John Topping.

v. Elizabeth Kent. Died young.

vi. Rebecca Dill Kent. Born July 2, 1843. Died Jany. 20, 1923. Married Sept. 12, 1865, James C. Jarman. Both are buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

6.

Children of Josiah Pillow Kent (3-x) and Clarissa Poole:

Both children were born in Sangamon County, Illinois.

i. Adaline Kent. Born Aug. 7, 1837. Died Dec. 31, 1895, in Illiopolis, Ills. Married Nov. 8, 1853, Charles M. Turner.

ii. James Taylor Kent. Born Aug. 8, 1842. Died July 25, 1921, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Forest Home Cemetery, Chicago. Married in 1870, Sarah Jane Dorrel, daughter of John and Lavinia Dorrel, who was born Aug. 10, 1849, in Crab Orchard, Ky. and died April 18, 1929, in Chicago. Buried in Forest Home Cemetery.

7.

Children of Joseph Bell Kent (3-xi) and Elizabeth Staley:

i. Josiah Kent. Born Aug. 7, 1830, in Ross County, Ohio. Died Aug. 21, 1838, probably in Warren County, Ind.

ii. Jacob Kent. Born Sept. 25, 1832, in Pike Township, Warren Co., Ind. Died in Morrison, Okla. Married Fannie Beale.

iii. Jesse Kent. Born Mar. 31, 1835, in Warren County, Ind. Killed by Indians while en route to California. Date unknown.

iv. William Kent. Born Sept. 21, 1837.

v. Perrin Kent. Born Nov. 28, 1839, in Vermilion County, Ills.

vi. Absalom D. Kent. Born May 5, 1842, in Buchanan County, Mo. Died Aug. 9, 1921. Buried in Stanberry Cemetery, Stanberry, Mo. Married (1) Sept. 7, 1870, Mary Elizabeth Bedford, who was born Sept. 4, 1852, in Andrew County, Mo. Married (2)————. Married (3) March 13, 1905, Mary Frances Gillespie, who was born Jany. 12, 1863.

8.

Children of Joseph Bell Kent (3-xi) and Anna Evans:

The oldest child was born in Ross County, Ohio; the next two in Buchanan County, Mo.; the others in Andrew County, Mo.

i. Ephraim Wilson Kent. Born Jany. 25, 1846. Died Apr. 15, 1929. Married————.

ii. Joanna Kent. Born Nov. 27, 1850. Died in Salina, Kans. Married Edward Bohann.

iii. Katie B. Kent. Born July 1, 1856. Married June 5, 1878, David Allen Beattie, who died Jany. 11, 1929.

iv. Ella May Kent. Born Aug. 10, 1863. Died Dec. 19, 1930, at Hutchinson, Kans. Married J. Holt.

v. John A. L. Kent. Born June 28, 1865. Died Dec. 19, 1930. Married Clara Beattie, who was born Dec. 5, 1869.

vi. Thomas D. Kent. Born Feby. 4, 1868. Died July 4, ————. Married Allie Yoder.

9.

Children of Jesse Harrison Kent (3-xiii) and Lydia A. Walker:

All of the children were born in Springfield, Ills.

i. Sarah E. Kent. Born June 25, 1840. Died Nov. 13, 1913, in Springfield. Married George W. Constant.

ii. William E. Kent. Born Feby. 19, 1843. Died Sept. 3, 1846.

iii. James H. Kent. Born Jany. 29, 1845. Died Nov. 21, 1887.

iv. Josiah Pillow Kent. Born May 1, 1847. Died July 25, 1921, in Illiopolis, Ills. Married (1) Louise Rogers in 1867. Married (2) Anna Victoria Murrell in October, 1881.

v. John Kent. Born Oct. 5, 1849. Died Apr. 16, 1859.

FIFTH GENERATION.

10.

Children of Charlotte Dill Kent (4-i) and Ebenezer F. Lucas:

The first three children were born in Williamsport, Ind. The others on Lucas farm south-east of State Line, in Kent Township, Warren County, Ind.

i. John Perrin Lucas. Born Mar. 14, 1841. Died Jany. 9, 1884, in Warren County. Buried in Masonic Cemetery, near State Line. Married Nov. 14, 1866, Martha Ellen Andrews, who was born Sept. 27, 1843, and died Apr. 8, 1897. Buried in Masonic Cemetery.

ii. William Kent Lucas. Born Jany. 13, 1843. Died Feby. 9, 1916, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette, Ind. Married Sept. 19, 1872, Sarah Shontz, who died about 1898-9.

iii. George Holland Lucas. Born Jany. 29, 1845. Died Apr. 27, 1917, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married in Hartford, Mich. Aug. 12, 1873, Harriet Delaplane, daughter of Dr. Benj. F. and Harriet (Harrison) Delaplane, who was born Jany. 1, 1846 and died Nov. 9, 1928, in Danville. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

iv. Rebecca Elizabeth Lucas. Born Oct. 21, 1847. Died July 6, 1896, in Chicago, Ills. Buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Chicago. Married in Warren County, Ind. by Rev. Henry M. Bacon, Sept. 12, 1865, William Henry McDoel, son of Joseph and Anne (Clogstone) McDoel, who was born Mar. 28, 1841, in Goffstown, N. H. and died Apr. 24, 1916, in Chicago. Buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

v. James Hook Lucas. Born Oct. 14, 1849. Died Nov. 24, 1910, in Warren County. Buried in Masonic Cemetery, State

Line. Married Oct. 16, 1882, Laura M. Renner, daughter of Valentine and Ruth Renner, who was born Jany. 29, 1853, in Muskingum County, Ohio, and died Oct. 6, 1912, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Masonic Cemetery.

vi. Thomas Kent Lucas. Born Aug. 25, 1851. Died Mar. 11, 1918, in Warren County. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married in Warren County by Rev. J. D. Jenkins, Apr. 3, 1877, Maria Wallace, daughter of John D. and Martha (Guthrie) Wallace, who was born Sept. 1, 1849, near Paris, Ills. and died Jany. 7, 1924, in Warren County. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

vii. Lloyd Sands Lucas. Born May 5, 1855. Died Dec. 6, 1928, in Oklahoma. (Unmarried). Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

viii. Kate Belle Lucas. Born June 29, 1858. Died May 2, 1910, in LaFayette, Ind. (Unmarried). Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery.

ix. Charles Lewis Lucas. Born Sept. 10, 1860. Died July 30, 1895, in LaFayette. (Unmarried). Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

x. Henry Lucas. Born Dec. 14, 1863. Died Oct. 18, 1864. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

11.

Children of William Kent (4-ii) and Martha Jane Hitchens:

All of the children were born in Williamsport, Indiana; the first two in a frame house which stood on the south side of Main Street, between the river and the old public square; the others in the Kent homestead, still owned by the family (1933), on the south side of Main Street, at the head of J. Q. Adams Street.

i. William Hitchens Kent. Born May 14, 1851. Died April 3, 1916, in Omaha, Neb. Buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Omaha. Married in Crawfordsville, Ind. by Rev. William Wilmer, Oct. 15, 1874, Hattie C. Rice, daughter of John and Nancy (Baldwin) Rice, who was born June 23, 1855, in Corydon, Ind. and died May 10, 1931, in Topeka, Kans. Buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Omaha.

ii. Mary Rebecca Kent. Born Feby. 10, 1854. (Unmarried).

iii. Gertrude Kent. Born Sept. 17, 1855. Died Oct. 28, 1931, in Detroit, Mich. Buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Detroit. Married in Williamsport, Ind. by Rev. William Wilmer, Dec. 19, 1882, Frank Wesley Hurlburt, son of Sylvester and Louisa (Riley) Hurlbut, who was born Jany. 27, 1856, in Portage County, Ohio.

iv. Ella Kent. Born Nov. 16, 1856. (Unmarried).

v. Perrin Herbert Kent. Born Jany. 31, 1865. Died Sept. 16, 1898, in Toledo, Ohio. (Unmarried). Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport.

vi. Arthur Scott Kent. Born March 2, 1868. (Unmarried).

12.

Children of John Wallace Kent (4-iii) and Martha J. Clark:

Both children were born on farm in Steuben Township, Warren County, Ind., near Marshfield.

i. William Kent. Born April 26, 1850. Died June 12, 1914, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery. Married in Warren County by Rev. Samuel Beck, Aug. 18, 1868, Emily Martha Cronkhite, who was born Sept. 3, 1850 and died Oct. 29, 1916. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery.

ii. John Clark Kent. Born Jany. 29, 1852. Died Mar. 10, 1923, in Indianapolis. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery. Married at Thorntown, Ind. July 4, 1874, Sarah Elizabeth Collins, who was born Jany. 1, 1853, at Warsaw, Ind.

13.

Children of John Wallace Kent (4-iii) and Hester A. Tomlinson:

All of the children were born on farm in Steuben Township, Warren County, Ind., near Marshfield.

i. Florence Kent. Born May 4, 1856. Died Aug. 8, 1888. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery, Danville. Married at the home of her father in Mound Township, Warren Co. by Rev. Edward H. Post, Oct. 7, 1879, Joseph B. Campbell, who was born Mar. 9, 1856.

ii. Jennie B. Kent. Born Nov. 18, 1857. Married at the home of Perrin Kent, in Kent Township, Warren Co. by Rev. J. D. Jenkins, May 27, 1880, Walter Benjamin Crowe, who was born in Charleston, Ills. Oct. 14, 1857, and died in Indianapolis, June 19, 1931. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery. He was the son of Benj. Walter and Alice (Rogers) Crowe and grandson of Rev. John Finley Crowe, founder of Hanover College at Hanover, Ind. For more than 40 years he was with the Western Union Telegraph Co., the last 35 years of his service being in Indianapolis. For 20 years prior to his retirement on a pension in 1915, he was manager of the operating room in Indianapolis.

iii. Belle Kent. Born Dec. 12, 1859. (Unmarried).

iv. Charles Horace Kent. Born Feby. 23, 1862. Married in Warren County by Rev. Colbrath Hall, Sept. 20, 1882, Mary A. Moles, who was born near Covington, Ind., May 12, 1860, and died in Williamsport in July, 1912. Buried in Centennial Cemetery, Kingman, Ind.

14.

Children of John Wallace Kent (4-iii) and Katharine Wallace:

Both children were born on farm in Mound Township, Warren Co., Ind., south-east of State Line.

i. Gertrude Kent. Born Feby. 25, 1870. Married in Danville, Ills. by Rev. Charles H. Little, assisted by Rev. Willis H. Parsons, Dec. 28, 1893, Seymer Granville Wilson, an attorney at law, who was born Mar. 1, 1858, in Pickaway County, Ohio, and died Mar. 15, 1904, in Danville. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery.

ii. Louis Maxwell Kent. Born Jany. 1, 1874. An attorney at law, now living in Danville.

15.

Children of Sarah Kent (4-iv) and Supply Woods:

Both children were born on farm near State Line.

i. Mary Woods. Born April 29, 1851. Died Dec. 4, 1932, at Chemawa, Oregon. Married in Kent Township, Warren Co., Oct. 6, 1874, Olney Newell, son of Robert and Eliza Hanford

Newell, who was born in 1845 in Lewiston, Ohio, and died Oct. 3, 1927, in Denver, Colo.

ii. Supply Woods. Born Dec. 15, 1854. Died Feby. 27, 1856. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

16.

Children of Thomas Dill Kent (4-v) and Virginia Wallace:

All of the children were born in Marshfield, Warren Co., Ind.

i. Perrin Kent. Born in 1858. Died April 1, 1861. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

ii. Virginia Kent. Born Dec. 7, 1863. Died Dec. 12, 1863. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

iii. Guy Wallace Kent. Born Jany. 5, 1866. Died Feby. 18, 1873. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

iv. Jesse Kent. Born April 21, 1868. Died Mar. 18, 1882. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

17.

Child of Thomas Dill Kent (4-v) and Harriet A. Vroman:

i. Jennie Isabel Kent. Born Sept. 7, 1873, in Marshfield, Ind. Died Sept. 27, 1931, in Yarmouth, Mass. Buried in Island Pond Cemetery, Harwich, Barnstable Co., Mass. Married in Urbana, Ills., Oct. 27, 1898, Charles C. Paine, son of Lucius Kingman and Rebecca Chase (Wood) Paine, who was born Feby. 8, 1874, in Hyannisport, Mass.

18.

Children of Rebecca Dill Kent (4-vi) and Ralph Erskine Carmichael:

All of the children were born in Warren County, Ind.

i. Katherine Carmichael. Born in Dec. 1855. Died Aug. 8, 1856. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

ii. Twins. Born and died May 9, 1857. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

iii. William Perrin Carmichael. Born Apr. 14, 1858. Married in Omio, Kans. by Rev. John Richards, Mar. 2, 1887,

Alice Norris, daughter of John J. and Ann (Andrews) Norris, who was born Oct. 21, 1864, in Prairie City, Iowa.

19.

Children of Isabel Kent (4-vii) and William P. Hannah:

All of the children were born on farm near Alvin, Vermilion County, Ills.

i. KENT HANNAH. Born Feby. 18, 1868. Married at Danville, Ills. by Rev. Allen Grant, Feby. 4, 1905, Jane Dewlen.

ii. ISABEL HANNAH. Born Feby. 18, 1869. (Unmarried).

iii. ALEXANDER HANNAH. Born Apr. 9, 1870. Married in Colorado Springs, Colo., Elizabeth Cooper Stanton.

iv. AFFIE HITCHENS HANNAH. Born Oct. 25, 1872. (Unmarried).

20.

Children of Caroline Kent (4-viii) and Francis G. DuBois:

Both children were born on farm in Mound Township, Warren County, Ind.

i. REBECCA DUBOIS. Born Mar. 23, 1863. Died Aug. 30, 1927, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery. Married in Warren County by Rev. Charles H. Little, Apr. 30, 1884, Thomas Joseph Moore, son of Lindley M. and Sarah E. (Dickerson) Moore, who was born Sept. 5, 1863, in Fairmount, Ills. and died Jany. 1, 1929, at LaFayette, Ind. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery, Danville.

ii. MARY DUBOIS. Born Dec. 10, 1869. Married in Warren County by Rev. Charles Crane, Dec. 1, 1891, Frank A. Giddings, son of John W. and Samantha Ann (McKee) Giddings, who was born May 6, 1868, in Danville, Ills.

21.

Children of Adaline Kent (6-i) and Charles M. Turner:

All of the children were born in or near Illiopolis, Ills.

i. CLARISSA ELLEN TURNER. Born Mar. 7, 1855. Died Sept. 13, 1856.

ii. William M. Turner. Born May 6, 1858. Died May 25, 1858.

iii. Eliza Anne Turner. Born Apr. 1, 1860. Died Dec. 5, 1913. Married May 12, 1881, W. Sanford Ramey.

iv. Mary Ellen Turner. Born Dec. 7, 1862. Married Nov. 20, 1884, W. Kimball Fried.

v. James Alfred Turner. Born Sept. 19, 1865. Died Sept. 20, 1865.

vi. Charles Alvin Turner. Born Mar. 4, 1867. Died May 5, 1925.

vii. Laura Belle Turner. Born Mar. 16, 1872. Married Harvey C. Roberts.

viii. Frances Adaline Turner. Born Dec. 18, 1875. Married Nov. 30, 1899, John C. Fait.

ix. Rodney Curtin Turner. Born June 20, 1879. Married Minnie Belle Hayes.

x. Perrin Burns Turner. (Twin of Rodney). Died June 22, 1879.

22.

Children of James Taylor Kent (6-ii) and Sarah Jane Dorrel:

All of the children were born near Illiopolis, Ills.

i. Horace Greeley Kent. Born June 6, 1871.

ii. George Dorrel Herbert Kent. Born Feby. 19, 1873. Died Aug. 7, 1925. (Killed in automobile accident near St. Louis). Buried in Forest Home Cemetery, Chicago.

iii. Cyrus Lothair Kent. Born June 23, 1875.

23.

Children of Jacob Kent (7-ii) and Fannie Beale:

i. Peter Kent.

ii. Abraham Kent.

There were several other children, but their names are not known.

24.

Children of Absalom D. Kent (7-vi) and Mary Elizabeth Bedford:

All of the children were born in Andrew County, Missouri.

i. Martha Bennett Kent. Born July 4, 1871. Married Dec. 25, 1892, Robert E. Moore, who was born May 8, 1869, in Barnesville, Ohio.

ii. Mary Bedford Kent. Born Apr. 1, 1873. Died Mar. 10, 1875.

iii. Redmond Kent. Born Aug. 27, 1874. Died July 11, 1875.

iv. Charles Kent. Born May 4, 1876. Died May 24, 1932. Buried at Savannah, Mo. Married (1) Sept. 25, 1901, Alice Mae Wyatt, who was born Feby. 19, 1880, in Andrew County, Mo. and died Apr. 24, 1917. Married (2) Jany. 14, 1924, Louise C. Anderson, who was born June 14, 1883.

25.

Children of Ephraim Wilson Kent (8-i) and————:

i. Bettie Kent. Born Sept. 26, 1880. Died Aug. 22, 1884.

ii. Otis Kent. Born June 12, 1884. Died Aug. 24, 1908.

26.

Children of Joanna Kent (8-ii) and Edward Bohann:

i. Ralph Bohann.

ii. Ethel Bohann.

27.

Children of Ella May Kent (8-iv) and J. Holt:

i. Edward Holt.

ii. Earl Holt.

iii. Hugh Holt.

28.

Children of John A. L. Kent (8-v) and Clara Beattie:

i. Claude Kent. Born Dec. 13, 1889.

ii. Wallace Kent. Born Mar. 19, 1892.

iii. Rena Kent. Born Nov. 14, 1900.

iv. Lois Kent. Born Dec. 9, 1903.

29.

Children of Thomas D. Kent (8-vi) and Allie Yoder:

i. Edith Kent.

ii. Harry Kent.

30.

Child of Josiah Pillow Kent (9-iv) and Louise Rogers:

i. Frank Harrison Kent. Born April 15, 1868, in Sangamon County, Ills.

31.

Children of Josiah Pillow Kent (9-iv) and Anna Victoria Murrell:

The oldest child was born in Lanesville, Ills.; the others in Springfield, Ills.

i. Lena E. Kent. Born Sept. 13, 1882. Married June 27, 1906, Dr. Homer B. Willcockson.

ii. Hallie J. Kent. Born June 30, 1885. Married Dec. 10, 1903, Frank Garvey, who died Oct. 16, 1927.

iii. James Murrell Kent. Born July 21, 1887. Married (1) June 22, 1911, Ruth Ambruster, who died Nov. 5, 1918. Married (2) Nov. 6, 1919, Frances Fait, daughter of Henry and Mary Fait, who was born July 23, 1885, at Illiopolis, Ills.

SIXTH GENERATION.

32.

Children of John Perrin Lucas (10-i) and Martha Ellen Andrews:

All of the children were born in Warren County, Ind.

i. Charlotte Amelia Lucas. Born Sept. 14, 1867. Married in Kent Township, Warren County, by Rev. Charles H. Little, June 5, 1889, Frederick B. Elder, son of John Wesley and Frances (Bonebrake) Elder, who was born Mar. 12, 1863, in Warren County, Ind.

ii. William Ernest Lucas. Born May 21, 1870. Died Mar. 13, 1925, in Dixon, Ills. (Unmarried). Buried in Oakwoods Cemetery, Dixon.

iii. John Phelps Lucas. Born Nov. 12, 1872. Died Mar. 12, 1928, in Demopolis, Ala. (Unmarried). Buried in Elm Cemetery, Kansas City, Mo.

iv. Austin Andrews Lucas. Born Mar. 20, 1875. Died Dec. 21, 1902, in Custer Park, Ills. (Unmarried). Buried in Masonic Cemetery, State Line.

33.

Children of George Holland Lucas (10-iii) and Harriet Delaplane:

All of the children were born on farm in Kent Township, Warren County, Ind., near State Line.

i. Harriet Lucas. Born Aug. 22, 1876. Died Sept. 1, 1876.

ii. Charlotte Lucas. Born July 27, 1877. Died Aug. 13, 1877.

iii. James Finley Lucas. Born July 4, 1878. Died Aug. 1, 1910, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married in LaFayette, Ind. Sept. 10, 1905, Mary E. Hartnett.

iv. Kate Clair Lucas. Born Sept. 30, 1880. Married in Warren County by Rev. F. D. Pfyffe, Oct. 28, 1902, John O. Powell, who was born Apr. 7, 1880, in Vermilion County, Ills.

34.

Child of Rebecca Elizabeth Lucas (10-iv) and William H. McDoel:

i. Mary Annette McDoel. Born July 20, 1872, in Keokuk, Iowa. Married in Chicago, Ills. by Rev. McIlvane, June 10, 1896, Henry A. Hickman. Married (2) in Chicago by Rev. W. H. Pulsford, Jany. 26, 1907, William Kennard Kenly.

35.

Children of James Hook Lucas (10-v) and Laura M. Renner:

Both children were born in Warren County, Ind.

i. Ruth Lucas. Born Sept. 25, 1883. Died Mar. 10, 1932, in Warren Co. Buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Covington, Ind.

Married in Warren Co. Feby. 22, 1911, Carlton W. Brandenburg, son of Adam and Rebecca (Warrenfelt) Brandenburg, who was born May 3, 1872, in Warren Co.

ii. Mabel C. Lucas. Born Sept. 19, 1887. Married in 1911, Mortimer Miller, son of George and Nancy Miller, who was born in Warren Co.

36.

Children of Thomas Kent Lucas (10-vi) and Maria Wallace:

All of the children were born in Warren County, Ind.

i. Margaret Lucas. Born Jany. 1, 1878. Died Jany. 8, 1909, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married Valentine Spence.

ii. Morton Finley Lucas. Born Mar. 13, 1880.

iii. Louis Lucas. Born June 26, 1885.

37.

Children of William Hitchens Kent (11-i) and Hattie C. Rice:

i. William Rice Kent. Born Oct. 9, 1875, in Crawfordsville, Ind. Died June 14, 1908. (Unmarried). Buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Topeka, Kans.

ii. Louise Breckenridge Kent. Born Jany. 21, 1879, in Williamsport, Ind. Married in St. Joseph, Mo. Aug. 18, 1901, Mathews Phillippi, son of Martin and Katherine (Mathews) Phillippi, who was born June 11, 1878, in Independence, Kans.

iii. Mary Jane Kent. Born Feby. 14, 1884, in Omaha, Neb. Married in Topeka, Kans. Jany. 1, 1909, John R. Graham, who was born June 24, 1875, in Morgan County, Ohio.

iv. Marguerite Inez Kent. Born April 13, 1890, in Topeka, Kans. Married in Omaha, Neb. by Rev. Edwin H. Jenks, June 22, 1910, Stuart C. Wigg, son of Albert Stuart and Annie (Dee) Wigg, who was born July 4, 1887, in London, England.

38.

Child of Gertrude Kent (11-iii) and Frank Wesley Hurlburt:

i. Arthur Kent Hurlburt. Born Aug. 19, 1884, in Danville, Ills. Married in Detroit, Mich. by Rev. E. H. Pence, Aug. 28,

1916, Lena May Jewell, daughter of Walter and Mary (Kean) Jewell, who was born Mar. 12, 1889, near Harriston, Wellington County, Ontario.

39.

Children of William Kent (12-i) and Emily Martha Cronkhite:

All of the children were born on Stony Creek farm, near Bismarck, Vermilion County, Ills.

i. Claude Wallace Kent. Born Oct. 10, 1869. Died May 24, 1872.

ii. John Perrin Kent. Born Jany. 24, 1872. Died Aug. 11, 1932, in San Francisco, Calif. Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, San Francisco. Married in Phoenix, Ariz. June 21, 1918, Annie Laura Lillie, who was born Oct. 11, 1879, in Rockford, Minn.

iii. William Clarence Kent. Born Jany. 20, 1877. Married Nov. 22, 1919, Ida Flora Swearingen.

iv. Stella Kent. Born Aug. 2, 1878. Married in Anderson, Ind. in 1898, Arthur Duncan, who was born Feby. 9, 1876.

v. Grace Kent. Born Feby. 20, 1882. Died Sept. 6, 1882.

vi. Inez Kent. Born June 23, 1885. Died Jany. 7, 1888.

40.

Children of John Clark Kent (12-ii) and Sarah Elizabeth Collins:

All of the children were born in Indianapolis, Ind. except Dora May, who was born near Bismarck, Ills. and Maudie, who was born at Lawrence, Ind.

i. Carroll Royal Kent. Born Apr. 19, 1875. Married in Pendleton, Ind. by Rev. Carl Van Winkle, June 12, 1904, Ella B. Chaney, who was born Sept. 20, 1884, in Augusta, Ind.

ii. Harry Edward Kent. Born July 24, 1876. Married (1) in Indianapolis in March, 1897, Nellie Revan, who was born Aug. 2, 1876, in Elizabethtown, Ind. Married (2) in Indianapolis about 1931, Lillian McKinney, who was born Mar. 18, 1891, in Indianapolis.

iii. Dora May Kent. Born June 11, 1878. Married in Indianapolis, Mar. 14, 1895, Leander A. Hardin, who was born June 3, 1865, in Indianapolis.

iv. Maudie Kent. Born Apr. 9, 1880. Died Apr. 23, 1881, in Indianapolis. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

v. Nellie Kent. Born May 25, 1882. Married in Greenfield, Ind. May 7, 1902, George Clifton Pittman, who was born Apr. 7, 1876, in Owen County, Ind.

vi. Laura Ann Kent. Born Dec. 5, 1884. Died Nov. 2, 1903, in Indianapolis. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

vii. John Raymond Kent. Born Oct. 23, 1886. Died Jany. 18, 1931, in Indianapolis. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery. Married Mar. 23, 1911, Ora Fannie Davis, who was born Oct. 10, 1890, in Marion County, Ind.

viii. Nancy Belle Kent. Born Dec. 21, 1888. Married in Indianapolis May 21, 1907, Charles F. Agan, who was born June 18, 1884, in Davies County, Ind.

ix. Martha Clark Kent. Born July 31, 1894. Died June 24, 1895, in Indianapolis. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

41.

Child of Florence Kent (13-i) and Joseph B. Campbell:

i. Grover Campbell. Born Dec. 21, 1884, near Danville, Ills. Died Oct. 1, 1910. (Unmarried). Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery.

42.

Children of Jennie B. Kent (13-ii) and Walter Benj. Crowe:

Both children were born in Indianapolis, Ind.

i. Ethel Eleanor Crowe. Born Dec. 1, 1883.

ii. Lawrence Edgar Crowe. Born Sept. 20, 1887. Married Dec. 16, 1911, Esther Ann Hazelton, daughter of James M. and Jennie (Llewellyn) Hazelton, who was born Aug. 3, 1889, in Indianapolis. He is an auditor and expert accountant, living in Seattle, Wash.

43.

Children of Charles Horace Kent (13-iv) and Mary A. Moles:

Both children were born on farm near Marshfield, Ind.

i. Guy Kent. Born Dec. 23, 1884. Died Nov. 26, 1909, at Kingman, Ind. Buried in Centennial Cemetery, Kingman. Mar-

ried Feb. 16, 1906, Jessie S. Neal, daughter of John and Mary J. (Bonebrake) Neal, who was born May 31, 1881, at Yeddo, Ind.

ii. WALTER E. KENT. Born May 1, 1889. Married (1) May Chester, June 12, 1912. (2)————.

44.

Children of Mary Woods (15-i) and Olney Newell:

i. SARA NEWELL. Born Jany. 4, 1877, in Lebanon, Ind. Married, in December 1903, Frank C. Farrar.

ii. GORDON NEWELL. Born Feby. 12, 1880, in Huerfano County, Colo. Married in Stafford, Kans., Ethel Caplinger.

iii. MARY NEWELL. Born Jany. 9, 1883, in Trinidad, Colo.

45.

Children of Jennie Isabel Kent (17-i) and Charles C. Paine:

Both children were born in Hyannis, Mass.

i. VIRGINIA PAINE. Born Feby. 9, 1901. Married in Springfield, Ohio, Dec. 28, 1922, William White Keifer, son of William White and Martha (Steele) Keifer, who was born Oct. 28, 1896, at Springfield.

ii. PRISCILLA PAINE. Born Oct. 7, 1904. Married at Harrisville, N. H. Feby. 27, 1932, Raymond S. Hills, son of George and Elizabeth (Geary) Hills, who was born July 13, 1906, at Orange, Mass.

46.

Child of William Perrin Carmichael (18-iii) and Alice Norris:

i. KATHERINE NORRIS CARMICHAEL. Born Dec. 10, 1889, in Kent Township, Warren County, Ind.

47.

Children of Kent Hannah (19-i) and Jane Dewlen:

The first two children were born in Warren County, Ind.; the youngest in Vermilion County, Ills.

i. PERRIN KENT HANNAH.

ii. RALPH HANNAH.

iii. LLOYD HANNAH.

48.

Children of Alexander Hannah (19-iii) and Elizabeth Cooper Stanton:

i. Affie Mabelle Hannah. Born Oct. 29, 1907.

ii. Dorothy Elizabeth Hannah. Born Aug. 8, 1910. Married Aug. 8, 1929, Peter Dickman.

49.

Children of Rebecca DuBois (20-i) and Thomas Joseph Moore:

All of the children were born on farm in Warren County, Ind. near State Line.

i. Laura Frances Moore. Born Mar. 7, 1885. Married in Danville, Ills. by Rev. S. S. Jones, Dec. 22, 1904, Herbert William King, son of John M. and Lena (Stanibaugh) King, who was born July 5, 1883, in Danville.

ii. Caroline Louise Moore. Born July 16, 1886. Died Feby. 16, 1911, in Danville. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery. Married in Danville by Rev. S. S. Jones, Sept. 1, 1908, Harley Robertson.

iii. Ralph Lindley Moore. Born Mar. 3, 1892. Married in Danville by Rev. C. F. Buker, Carson Keefer, daughter of Thomas M. and Emma Jane (Peed) Keefer, who was born Feby. 28, 1892, in Fountain County, Ind.

50.

Child of Mary DuBois (20-ii) and Frank A. Giddings:

i. Frank John Giddings. Born Sept. 24, 1892, in Danville, Ills. Married in Pontiac, Ills. by Hon. Ray Sefler, Aug. 8, 1925, Goldie Gertrude Fore, daughter of Joseph and Carrie E. (Cahoon) Fore, who was born Feby. 28, 1904, at St. Marie, Ills.

51.

Children of Martha Bennett Kent (24-i) and Robert E. Moore:

i. Ivan Allen Moore. Born Apr. 14, 1896, in Dearborn, Mo.

ii. Venus Elizabeth Moore. Born Feby. 23, 1898, in Peru, Iowa.

iii. Robert E. Moore. Born July 10, 1900, in Peru, Iowa.

52.

Children of Charles Kent (24-iv) and Alice Mae Wyatt:

All of the children were born on farm near Rea, Andrew County, Mo.

i. Lloyd Bedford Kent. Born Mar. 22, 1903.

ii. Lillian Pauline Kent. Born Sept. 28, 1908.

iii. Mildred Helen Kent. Born Dec. 21, 1910.

53.

Child of James Murrell Kent (31-iii) and Ruth Ambruster:

i. Elizabeth Jane Kent. Born Mar. 12, 1914, in Lanesville, Ills.

54.

Child of James Murrell Kent (31-iii) and Frances Fait:

i. James Fait Kent. Born Aug. 3, 1921, in Lanesville, Ills.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

55.

Children of Charlotte Amelia Lucas (32-i) and Frederick B. Elder:

i. Frank B. Elder. Born Mar. 1, 1890, in Newcastle, Pa. Married in Minden, Neb. Mar. 1, 1911, Katie Lee Holland, who was born Feb. 13, 1886, in Beardstown, Ills.

ii. Klyde Elinor Elder. Born June 22, 1892, in Parsons, Kans.

iii. Charles W. Elder. Born Nov. 22, 1893, in Chrisman, Ills. Married in 1919, Sessna Howell, who was born Sept. 14, 1901, in Tennessee.

56.

Children of James Finley Lucas (33-iii) and Mary E. Hartnett:

i. Louise Lucas. Born Aug. 1, 1907, in LaFayette, Ind. Married in LaFayette, Aug. 25, 1926, Neal Smith, who was born Aug. 4, 1905.

ii. Ruth Lucas. Born Mar. 19, 1910, in Danville, Ills. Married in LaFayette, Oct. 27, 1927, Raymond J. Farrell, who was born Jany. 27, 1906.

57.

Children of Kate Clair Lucas (33-iv) and John O. Powell:

Both children were born in Danville, Ills.

i. Helen Katherine Powell. Born Sept. 16, 1904. Married in Covington, Ind. by Rev. Johnson, Aug. 28, 1924, Philip G. Gillespie, who was born July 10, 1900, in Danville.

ii. Robert Lucas Powell. Born Jany. 31, 1906. Married in Covington, Ind. Feby. 9, 1929, Diana Smith, who was born Apr. 23, 1909, in Perrysville, Ind.

58.

Child of Mary Annette McDoel (34-i) and Henry A. Hickman:

i. Rebecca McDoel Hickman. Born July 28, 1897, in Chicago. Died June 3, 1932, in Chicago. Married in Chicago by Rev. Norman Hutton, May 6, 1922, Walter H. Wyman.

59.

Children of Ruth Lucas (35-i) and Carlton W. Brandenburg:

i. Laura Mary Brandenburg. Born Feby. 23, 1913, in Warren County, Ind.

ii. Charles Emerson Brandenburg. Born Nov. 1, 1915, in Montgomery County, Ind.

iii. Audrey Brandenburg. Born May 23, 1920, in Warren County.

iv. Musetta Brandenburg. Born Oct. 20, 1924, in Warren County.

60.

Child of Mabel C. Lucas (35-ii) and Mortimer Miller:

i. James Albert Miller. Born Apr. 28, 1912, in Warren County, Ind.

61.

Children of Louise Breckenridge Kent (37-ii) and Mathews Phillippi:

i. Louise Katherine Phillippi. Born Feby. 26, 1903, in St. Joseph, Mo.

ii. Mary Inez Phillippi. Born Aug. 23, 1906, in Topeka, Kans. Married in Des Moines, Iowa, by Rev. Carrol Tracy Hodsdon, brother of the groom, June 20, 1930, Lowell C. Hodsdon, son of Lewis A. and Minnie Hodsdon, who was born May 7, 1901, in Clarksville, Iowa.

62.

Children of Mary Jane Kent (37-iii) and John R. Graham:

All of the children were born in Topeka, Kans.

i. Lucille Lillian Graham. Born Sept. 6, 1915.

ii. Doris Lorraine Graham. Born Dec. 2, 1916.

iii. Louise Elizabeth Graham. Born June 21, 1918.

63.

Child of Marguerite Inez Kent (37-iv) and Stuart C. Wigg:

i. Stuart Cornelius Wigg. Born Oct. 2, 1915, in Omaha, Nebraska.

64.

Children of Arthur Kent Hurlburt (38-i) and Lena May Jewell:

Both children were born in Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit.

i. Arthur Kent Hurlburt. Born Dec. 14, 1918.

ii. Marjorie Jewell Hurlburt. Born June 16, 1923.

65.

Children of Stella Kent (39-iv) and Arthur Duncan:

Both children were born in Anderson, Ind.

i. Virginia Duncan. Born April 25, 1899. Married Roy Creath.

ii. Donald Duncan. Born Oct. 31, 1901.

66.

Children of Carroll Royal Kent (40-i) and Ella B. Chaney:

Both children were born in Indianapolis, Ind.

i. Eva Belle Kent. Born June 11, 1905. Married in Indianapolis, June 3, 1924, Merrill Wolfe.

ii. John Raymond Kent. Born Aug. 31, 1908.

67.

Children of Dora May Kent (40-iii) and Leander A. Hardin:

All of the children were born in Indianapolis.

i. John Moreland Hardin. Born Feby. 7, 1897. Married (1) Myrtle Johnson in April, 1916. (2) Nina Becker, who was born Sept. 3, 1905, in Keokuk, Iowa.

ii. Paul Revere Hardin. Born July 5, 1900. Married (1) in Indianapolis, Apr. 20, 1925, Gertrude Kenilworth. (2) Nov. 7, 1931, Violet Hunter, who was born Apr. 21, 1908, in Madison, Ind.

iii. Russell Lee Hardin. Born June 8, 1902. Married in Greenfield, Ind. Jany. 4, 1928, Dorothy Lewis.

iv. Infant Son. Born in 1906. Died at birth.

v. Nancy Leone Hardin. Born Mar. 19, 1907. Married in Indianapolis, June 17, 1926, Ernest Garwood.

68.

Children of Nellie Kent (40-v) and George Clifton Pittman:

Both children were legally adopted.

i. Lillian Lucille Pittman. Born Nov. 22, 1910, near Vincennes, Ind. Married Nov. 9, 1930, Samuel Francis Poucher, who was born Apr. 2, 1910, in Urbana, Ills.

ii. Maudie Ann Pittman. Born Jany. 31, 1925, in Indiana.

69.

Children of John Raymond Kent (40-vii) and Ora Fannie Davis:

All of the children were born in Indianapolis.

i. Marcella Kent. Born July 20, 1912. Died Mar. 7, 1913.

ii. Elizabeth Rose Kent. Born Jany. 8, 1914.

iii. Nellie Ann Kent. Born June 20, 1917.

70.

Children of Nancy Belle Kent (40-viii) and Charles F. Agan:

All of the children were born in Indianapolis except Betty Jane, who was born in Fairfield, Ohio.

i. Laura Florence Agan. Born Oct. 17, 1908.

ii. Kenton Agan. Born Mar. 17, 1911.

iii. Ruth Jean Agan. Born Dec. 8, 1913.

iv. Betty Jane Agan. Born Dec. 30, 1922.

v. Sarah Colleen Agan. Born Mar. 31, 1926.

vi. Charles F. Agan. Born Dec. 15, 1928.

71.

Children of Guy Kent (43-i) and Jessie S. Neal:

All of the children were born at Kingman, Ind.

i. Paul Neal Kent. Born May 14, 1908.

ii. Francis Laverne Kent. Born July 31, 1909.

iii. John Lavere Kent. (Twin of Francis LaVerne.)

72.

Child of Sara Newell (44-i) and Frank C. Farrar:

i. NEWELL FARRAR. Born Oct. 12, 1906, in Denver, Colo. Married in San Francisco, Calif. Dec. 24, 1932, Winifred Margaret Guild.

73.

Children of Gordon Newell (44-ii) and Ethel Caplinger:

i. MARY NEWELL. Born Feby. 27, 1910, in Boulder, Colo. Died Sept. 17, 1914.

ii. OLNEY NEWELL. Born Aug. 29, 1911, in Boulder.

iii. ROBERT NEWELL. Born Jany. 5, 1920, in Hutchinson, Kans.

74.

Children of Virginia Paine (45-i) and William White Keifer, Jr.:

Both of the children were born in Dayton, Ohio.

i. NANCY KEIFER. Born Oct. 9, 1923.

ii. VIRGINIA KEIFER. Born Oct. 4, 1927.

75.

Child of Priscilla Paine (45-ii) and Raymond S. Hills:

i. CHARLES KENT HILLS. Born Nov. 19, 1932, in East Bridgewater, Mass.

76.

Children of Laura Frances Moore (49-i) and Herbert W. King:

The first two children were born in Danville, Ills.; the youngest in Gary, Ind.

i. HARRY LINDLEY KING. Born Aug. 9, 1907. Married Oct. 3, 1931, Leona Brummett, who was born Dec. 18, 1912, in Kentucky, and died Nov. 18, 1932, in St. Louis, Mo. Buried at Farmersville, Ills.

ii. LOUISE FRANCES KING. Born July 11, 1909. Married Feby. 7, 1927, Vernon Keith Orr, who was born Nov. 7, 1904, in Iowa.

iii. THOMAS JOHN KING. Born Jany. 18, 1915.

77.

Child of Caroline Louise Moore (49-ii) and Harley Robertson:

i. Mary Frances Robertson. Born and died Dec. 28, 1910, in Villa Grove, Ills.

78.

Child of Ralph Lindley Moore (49-iii) and Carson Keefer:

i. Elizabeth Louise Moore. Born Aug. 31, 1919, in Fountain County, Indiana.

79.

Children of Frank John Giddings (50-i) and Goldie Gertrude Fore:

All of the children were born in Danville, Ills.

i. Mary Frances Giddings. Born May 20, 1926. Died May 21, 1926.

ii. Bettie Lou Giddings. Born Jany. 30, 1928.

iii. John William Giddings. Born Apr. 2, 1930.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

80.

Children of Frank B. Elder (55-i) and Katie Lee Holland:

The oldest child was born in Minden, Neb.; the others in Miller, Neb.

i. Harold Francis Elder. Born Nov. 10, 1911.

ii. Paul Holland Elder. Born May 24, 1914. Died Dec. 15, 1929, in Lincoln, Neb. Buried in Lincoln Memorial Park Cemetery.

iii. Ruth Kathryn Elder. Born Mar. 19, 1917.

iv. Mary June Elder. Born Sept. 9, 1920.

81.

Child of Charles W. Elder (55-iii) and Sessna Howell:

i. Betty Ellen Elder. Born Apr. 29, 1920, in Harper, Kans.

82.

Children of Louise Lucas (56-i) and Neal Smith:

All of the children were born in LaFayette, Ind.

i. JOAN THERESA SMITH. Born Oct. 5, 1927. Died Oct. 8, 1927.

ii. LOIS JEAN SMITH. Born Oct. 15, 1928.

iii. ROBERT LEO SMITH. Born June 12, 1932.

83.

Children of Ruth Lucas (56-ii) and Raymond J. Farrell:

Both of the children were born in LaFayette, Ind.

i. RAYMOND LUCAS FARRELL. Born Feby. 13, 1929.

ii. GERALD JAMES FARRELL. Born Oct. 25, 1931.

84.

Children of Helen Katherine Powell (57-i) and Philip G. Gillespie:

Both of the children were born in Danville, Ills.

i. MARJORIE ANN GILLESPIE. Born Sept. 14, 1925.

ii. RICHARD LOVELL GILLESPIE. Born Dec. 30, 1926.

85.

Child of Rebecca McDoel Hickman (58-i) and Walter H. Wyman:

i. MARIE-ANN WYMAN. Born Oct. 23, 1923, in New York City, N. Y.

86.

Children of Eva Belle Kent (66-i) and Merrill Wolfe:

Both of the children were born in Indianapolis, Ind.

i. BOBBIE MERRILL WOLFE. Born June 8, 1925.

ii. BETTIE LORRAINE WOLFE. Born June 16, 1928.

87.

Child of John Moreland Hardin (67-i) and Myrtle Johnson:

i. MARGARET HARDIN. Born Mar. 16, 1921, in Indianapolis.

88.

Child of Russell Lee Hardin (67-iii) and Dorothy Lewis:

i. Robert Hardin. Born Feby. 5, 1930, in Indianapolis.

89.

Children of Nancy Leone Hardin (67-v) and Ernest Garwood:

i. Patricia Ann Garwood. Born Aug. 13, 1927, in Big Springs, Ohio.

ii. Jack Ernest Garwood. Born Nov. 7, 1928, in Indianapolis.

iii. Dolores Maureen Garwood. Born Feby. 10, 1931, in Big Springs.

iv. Lee Bert Garwood. Born March 8, 1933, in Big Springs.

90.

Children of Lillian Lucille Pittman (68-i) and Samuel Francis Poucher:

i. Francis Clifton Poucher. Born July 29, 1931, in Indianapolis.

ii. William Kent Poucher. Born Mar. 2, 1933, in Indianapolis.

91.

Children of Louise Frances King (76-ii) and Vernon Keith Orr:

The first three children were born in LaFayette, Indiana; the fourth in Granite City, Ills.

i. John Herbert Orr. Born Oct. 14, 1927.

ii. Richard Lee Orr. Born May 19, 1929.

iii. Elizabeth Anne Orr. Born July 21, 1930.

iv. Donald Keith Orr. Born Mar. 9, 1932.

CHAPTER II.

The Perrin and Kelley Families.

92.

John Perrin, great-grandfather of Perrin Kent, was living in Frederick County, Maryland, as early as 1763, and probably much earlier. From the number of deeds made by him during his lifetime, and by his executors after his death, it appears that he owned large tracts of land in Frederick and Washington Counties, Maryland. He died about January, 1770. In his will he mentions his sons Edward, John and Joseph Perrin; daughters Susannah and Mary; and grandchildren, names not given. The inventory of his estate was taken February 26, 1770, and Joseph Lazear and Thomas Lazear are given as "next of kin."

The children of John Perrin (order of birth not known) were:

Edward. Married Ann Kelley. Died between 1775 and 1785.

John. Died after 1803.

Joseph. Married Rachel Kelley. Died between April 13, 1782, and November, 1784.

Susannah. Married.

Mary. Married.

93.

Edward Perrin, grandfather of Perrin Kent, was living in Washington County, Maryland, in 1770, but probably moved to Bedford County, Pennsylvania, before his death, his brother John having gone there. Edward Perrin took up land in Washington County, Penna., which land was patented after his death to his oldest son William, for the benefit of all of his heirs. Edward Perrin was one of the executors of his father's will, and as such conveyed land as late as November, 1775, but had died before June, 1785. His widow, Ann, lived in Washington County, Penna., as early as 1789, and possibly some years before.

The will of "Anne Perrine, otherwise Kelley" of Hopewell Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania, was dated January 28, 1820, and was "proven" or probated February 3, 1820. In it she bequeaths to her son, Edward Perrin, $41.66-2/3 "year and yearly from the year 1808 as a compensation for my maintenance"; also $60 as a special legacy. "And next I order the remainder of my personal estate which being wholly with the above bequests lying in the hands of John Brothard bequeathed by William Kelley to Anne Perrin, daughter of said Kelly as will appear on the records of Washington County, State of Maryland, to be divided equally amongst my other children, share and share alike." (Will Book, Washington Co., 3-332.)

The children of Edward and Ann (Kelley) Perrin, order of birth not known, were:

WILLIAM. Married Elizabeth ————.

EDWARD. Married Sarah ————. Died about 1857.

JOSEPH.

SARAH. Born Mar. 24, 1770. Married Feby. 24, 1789, William Kent. Died in Ross County, Ohio, Aug. 16, 1839. Buried in Bainbridge, Ohio.

DEBORAH.

RACHEL.

REBECCA.

94.

From many records in Frederick and Washington Counties, Maryland, it appears that William Kelley (or Kelly), lived in Frederick County as early as 1752. His land included "Cheney's Delight" and "Rutting Springs" in Frederick County and "Kelly's Delight" in Washington County, Maryland.

There is some evidence that he was married twice and that his first wife was named Catherine. However, it is not certain that this is the same family.

WILLIAM KELLEY, of Washington County, Maryland, made his will March 8, 1788, and it was probated October 8, 1791. In it he mentions his wife, Mary Ann Kelley; Ann Perrin, to whom

he leaves, after the death of his wife, the land on which he lives; John Perrin, Jean Breathard and Rachel Perrin. Evidently the Kelley and Breathard (or Brothard) families were related. (It will be noted that the family name is sometimes spelled "Kelley" and at other times "Kelly." It is believed that the former is correct.)

There may have been other children, but the only ones known are:

Ann. Married Edward Perrin. Died about Feby. 1, 1820.

Rachel. Married Joseph Perrin.

CHAPTER III.

The Dill Family

I have not attempted to trace the Dill genealogy, except to show the ancestry and immediate family connections of those members who intermarried with the Kent family. Rebecca Dill married Perrin Kent, while one of the granddaughters of Eleanor Dill married John Wallace Kent; another granddaughter married Thomas Dill Kent and a third married Thomas Kent Lucas, a grandson of Perrin Kent. A granddaughter of Jane Dill married George Holland Lucas, another grandson of Perrin Kent and a brother of Thomas Kent Lucas.

According to Gibson's History of York County, Pennsylvania, the name Dill is Danish. The ancestors moved to England during the time of the Commonwealth under Oliver Cromwell. Our branch of the family moved to Scotland and thence to Ireland. They are believed to have been living in Ulster Province as early as 1700. Captain Matthew Dill, with his family, came to America about 1728. There is a story in the family to the effect that they first lived in Delaware, but no record of this has been found. They are known to have lived in Fallowfield Township, Chester County, Penna., from 1732 to 1742. They then moved to Lancaster (now York) County, Penna. Matthew Dill served in the Association Regiments of Pennsylvania, having been a captain of foot soldiers in Col. Benjamin Chambers' Regiment in 1747-8. It is probable that he also served in the same regiment in 1743. He died in 1750 and is buried at Dillsburg, Penna., which is about twenty-two miles from Gettysburg and twenty-one miles from York. His son, Col. Matthew Dill, was an officer in the Revolution.

Our ancestor James Dill, son of Capt. Matthew Dill, was probably born in County Monaghan, Ulster, in 1720, although he may have been born in Belfast. He was about eight years of age when he came with his father to America. James became one of the wealthiest men in York County. He owned many hundred acres of land, was the keeper of a tavern, and in 1780 owned nine

out of twenty-one slaves in Monaghan Township. The Dills were prominent in the Presbyterian Church, and on April 28, 1791, James Dill was the largest subscriber listed for support of the church at Dillsburg. He was a member of the York Committee of Observation, selected at a meeting held on Dec. 16, 1774. In December, 1777, he was one of six persons appointed by the assembly to take subscriptions for the Continental Loan.

There is some doubt as to whether James Dill was married more than once. The tradition in our branch of the family is that he was married twice and that the first seven children were by his first wife. It will be noted that his eighth child was named "Jean" and his ninth child "Armstrong." If Jean Armstrong was the mother of all of his children, it seems strange that the parents should have waited so long before naming one of them for its mother.

Thomas Dill, son of James, was born in York County, Penna., in 1751. When a young man, he made a trip to Ireland, whether on business or pleasure is not known. While there he met and married Rebecca Hamilton, said to have been the only girl in a family of nineteen children. It is believed that she was living on a small farm known as "Drumsamis" in County Tyrone. After their marriage they lived for a time in Ireland and their oldest son, James, and their daughter Mary, are believed to have been born in or near Belfast. There is a story in our family to the effect that one child was born on board ship on the return trip to America, died and was buried at sea. This story, however, cannot be verified. After their return they lived in Pennsylvania for several years and then, about the beginning of the new century, moved to Kentucky, and three or four years later to Ross County, Ohio. Rebecca died in 1816 or 1817 and Thomas in 1834.

Rebecca, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Hamilton) Dill, married Perrin Kent in 1818. Eight years later they moved, with their four children, to what is now Warren County, Indiana. The farm on which they lived is partly in Kent and partly in Mound Township, and was known as Gopher Hill. They first built a log cabin, and about 1840 built the present brick house, which stands a short distance west of the original home. Their descendants continued to live in the present house until about 1894. The ownership of the farm has since passed into other hands.

95.

Capt. Matthew Dill. Born in 1698, probably in Ulster Province, Ireland. Died Oct. 13, 1750, in Pennsylvania. Buried in Dillsburg Public Cemetery, Dillsburg, Pa. Married Mary ————, who died in 1756.

96.

Children of Capt. Matthew and Mary Dill:

i. James Dill. (Our ancestor). Born about 1720, in Ireland. Died in Jany. or Feby. 1796, probably in York County, Pa. Married (1)————. (2) Jean Armstrong.

ii. Thomas Dill. Born about 1722. Died between Oct. 10 and Oct. 27, 1750. Married Mary————.

iii. Col. Matthew Dill. Born in 1726. Died April 10, 1812. Married Jean Bracken.

iv. Mary Dill. Born in 1728. Died in 1768. Married Feby. 23, 1748, Richard McAllister.

v. John Dill. Born about 1735. Died in August or Sept. 1766. Married————Wilson.

vi. Nancy Dill. Born about 1737. Married John Sharp.

vii. Sarah Dill. Born in 1741.

97.

Children of James Dill (96-i) and————.

i. Matthew Dill. Born Nov. 7, 1745.

ii. Mary Dill. Born May 25, 1747.

iii. Margaret Dill. Born Mar. 24, 1749.

iv. Thomas Dill. (Our ancestor). Born Dec. 1, 1751, in York County, Pa. Died in 1834, in Ross County, Ohio. Married in Ireland about 1772, Rebecca Hamilton, who was born in County Tyrone about 1756 and died in Ross County, Ohio, about 1816-17.

v. James Dill. Born Mar. 5, 1753.

vi. William Dill. Born Oct. 5, 1754.

vii. Rebecca Dill. Born Aug. 7, 1756. Died Aug. 6, 1826. Married————Johnston.

98.

Children of James Dill (96-i) and Jean Armstrong:

i. JEAN DILL. Born May 31, 1759.

ii. ARMSTRONG DILL. Born Aug. 3, 1761.

iii. JOHN DILL. Born Oct. 1, 1763.

iv. ROBERT DILL. Born Aug. 13, 1767. Died Nov. 6, 1837, in Ross County, O. Married Ann Gregory.

99.

Children of Thomas Dill (97-iv) and Rebecca Hamilton:

i. JAMES DILL. Born about 1774 in Belfast, Ireland. Died Aug. 18, 1838, in Lawrenceburg, Ind. Married Elizabeth (St. Clair) Lawrence, daughter of Gen. Arthur St. Clair and widow of Capt. John Lawrence, in 1799.

ii. MARY DILL. Born about 1777, probably in Ireland. Died in Tippecanoe County, Ind. Married John Reeves.

iii. ELEANOR DILL. Born Feby. 9, 1781, near Harrisburg, Pa. Died May 29, 1851, near Paris, Ills. Married in Ross County, O. Oct. 23, 1801, William Wallace, who was born Aug. 31, 1775, near Harrisburg, Pa. and died June 17, 1856, at Harrisburg, while on a visit there.

iv. MARGARET DILL. Married————Barr. Died in Ross Co., O.

v. ROBERT DILL. Born Feby. 27, 1785, near Harrisburg. Died May 8, 1855, in Tippecanoe County, Ind. Buried at Dayton, Ind. Married near Columbus, O. Dec. 13, 1810, Martha Gregory Harrison, who was born Oct. 22, 1787 and died Jany. 22, 1840. Buried at Dayton.

vi. JOHN DILL. Born in 1787. Died near Newmarket, O. Married Ann————.

vii. NANCY DILL. Born about 1788. Died July 28, 1842 in Carroll County, Ind. Buried at Burlington, Ind. Married William Stockton, who was born in 1782 and died Nov. 16, 1862, at Burlington, Ind.

viii. Thomas Dill. Born about 1791. Married Susannah _____.

ix. Rebecca Dill. (Our ancestor). Born Dec. 22, 1792, near Harrisburg, Pa. Died June 9, 1863, in Kent Township, Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married in Ross County, O. April 17, 1818, Perrin Kent, son of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent, who was born July 11, 1794, in Hopewell Township, Washington County, Pa. and died Jany. 30, 1882, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery.

x. Jane Dill. Born about 1794. Died Aug. 17, 1823. Married James Harrison, who was born about 1787 and died in 1820.

xi. Isabel Dill. Born about 1796. Married Absalom Kent, son of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent. Both probably died in Missouri or Kansas.

xii. Andrew Dill. Died about 1832 in Ross County, O.

xiii. Hamilton Dill. Died young.

xiv. Charlotte Dill. Born about 1806. Died about 1842, in Ross County, O. Married William Longley about 1832.

100.

Children of Eleanor Dill (99-iii) and William Wallace:

All of the children were born in Chillicothe, Ohio.

i. John Dill Wallace. Born Aug. 10, 1807. Died Oct. 17, 1873, near Paris, Ills. Married Dec. 6, 1832, Martha Jane Guthrie, who was born Sept. 15, 1810, in Chillicothe and died Nov. 20, 1881, near Paris, Ills.

ii. Margaret Patton Wallace. Born Feby. 22, 1809. Died Oct. 9, 1846 in Conkeytown, Ills. Married Dr. William Fellows in Conkeytown.

iii. Thomas Dill Wallace. Born Oct. 8, 1810. Married Eliza Carmichael in Rushville, Ind. (Parents of Virginia Wallace Kent).

iv. Rebecca Wallace. Born Aug. 10, 1812. Died Feby. 25, 1855, in Covington, Ky. Married Samuel Davis, the editor of a newspaper in Covington.

v. WILLIAM WALLACE. Born Apr. 19, 1814. Died Sept. 13, 1822.

vi. SAMUEL WALLACE. Born Apr. 24, 1818. Died Jany. 25, 1897, near Paris, Ills. Married (1) Mary Townsend, who was born May 13, 1824, in Ohio and died May 6, 1854, near Paris, Ills. (2) Ann Guthrie.

101.

Children of Rebecca Dill (99-ix) and Perrin Kent:

See Chapter I, No. 4.

102.

Children of Jane Dill (99-x) and James Harrison:

i. HARRIET HARRISON. Born Dec. 3, 1816, in Ross County, O. Died Dec. 3, 1890, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married May 14, 1838, Dr. Benj. F. Delaplane.

ii. WILLIAM HARRISON. Born May 25, 1818.

103.

Children of John Dill Wallace (100-i) and Martha Jane Guthrie:

The first five children were born in Chillicothe, Ohio; the others near Paris, Ills.

i. WILLIAM WALLACE. Born Oct. 24, 1834. Died May 18, 1883, in St. Paul, Minn. Married Kate————————.

ii. LOUIS WALLACE. Born July 4, 1836. Died Feby. 25, 1915, in Minneapolis, Minn. Married in 1867, Sarah Isabel ————————.

iii. LOUISIANA WALLACE. (Twin sister of Louis). Born July 4, 1836. Died Jany. 5, 1916, in Chicago, Ills. (Unmarried).

iv. ELEANOR WALLACE. Born Oct. 26, 1838. Died Jany. 5, 1915, in Durban, Natal, South Africa. Married in Dudley, Ills., A. H. Ringland.

v. KATHARINE WALLACE. Born Aug. 16, 1840. Died May 13, 1917, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Spring Hill Cemetery. Married in Edgar County, Ills. Oct. 1, 1867, John Wallace Kent, son

of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent, who was born June 24, 1823, in Ross County, Ohio, and died Mar. 8, 1905, in Danville, Ills.

vi. Miranda Wallace. Born Sept. 23, 1842. Died Nov. 19, 1914, in Seattle, Wash. (Unmarried).

vii. Margaret Wallace. Born Nov. 25, 1847. Died July 30, 1915, in Seattle, Wash. Married near Paris, Ills. about 1884, Henry B. Adams.

viii. Maria Wallace. Born Sept. 1, 1849. Died Jany. 7, 1924, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married Apr. 3, 1877, Thomas Kent Lucas, son of Charlotte Dill (Kent) and Ebenezer F. Lucas, who was born Aug. 25, 1851, and died Mar. 11, 1918, in Warren Co.

ix. Twin Sister of Maria. Died at birth.

104.

Children of Harriet Harrison (102-i) and Benj. F. Delaplane:

i. Kate Delaplane. Married John DeFields.

ii. Harriet Delaplane. Born Jany. 1, 1846. Died Nov. 9, 1928, in Danville, Ills. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married Aug. 12, 1873, George Holland Lucas, son of Charlotte Dill (Kent) and Ebenezer F. Lucas.

iii. John (or "Ju") Delaplane. Married (1) Susan Whitehead. (2)————.

iv. May Delaplane. Married Charles Atterbury.

v. Frances Delaplane. Married James McDowell.

CHAPTER IV.

The Hitchens Family.

George Hitchens was born near Laurel, Delaware, probably about 1778. About the beginning of the 19th Century he moved to Chillicothe, Ohio, where he remained until his death, which occurred about 1856. He married Sarah England in 1804-5.

Sarah England was born near Philadelphia, Penna., in 1780. Her family moved to Chillicothe about 1800. After the death of her husband, she lived in Williamsport, Ind., where she died Mar. 12, 1864. She is buried in Hillside Cemetery near Williamsport.

105.

Children of George Hitchens and Sarah England:

All of the children were born in Chillicothe, Ohio.

i. Elisha Hitchens. (Our ancestor). Born Aug. 10, 1806. Died Mar. 24, 1897, in Williamsport, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery. Married in Ross County, Ohio, June 11, 1826, Mary King, daughter of William and Hannah (Fennimore) King, who was born Apr. 20, 1807, in Ross County, O. and died Aug. 19, 1879, in Williamsport. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

ii. Elizabeth Hitchens. Born Oct. 9, 1808. Died Jany. 18, 1881, near Deland, Ills. Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport, Ind. Married James Armsworth.

iii. Peter Hitchens. Born Dec. 31, 1810. Died Mar. 31, 1894. Married Apr. 7, 1831, in Ohio, Susan Doll, who was born Sept. 22, 1811, and died Feby. 10, 1883. Both are buried at Monticello, Ills.

iv. Benjamin Hitchens. Said to have died young.

v. Priscilla Hitchens. Married————DeCamp.

vi. Martha Ann Hitchens. Born May 20, 1817. Married Oct. 20, 1830, William Long.

vii. JOHN HITCHENS. Married Mary Boyle about 1843. Died after 1890.

viii. GEORGE HITCHENS. Born Sept. 22, 1824. Died Aug. 6, 1899, in Williamsport, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery. Married Margaret Morris, who was born May 26, 1841, and died in 1926. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

ix. LEVIN SMITH HITCHENS. Born May 16, 1827. Died May 24, 1911. Married Apr. 3, 1850, Mercy Wright, who was born Jany. 23, 1832 and died Jany. 14, 1905. Both are buried at Literberry, Ills.

106.

Children of Elisha Hitchens (105-i) and Mary King:

i. MARTHA JANE HITCHENS. (Our ancestor). Born April 3, 1827, in Ross County, Ohio. Died April 2, 1899, in Williamsport, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery. Married in Williamsport by Rev. Jabez Neal, April 6, 1847, William Kent, son of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent, who was born May 15, 1821, in Ross County, Ohio, and died May 10, 1884, in Williamsport. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

ii. SARAH HITCHENS. Born and died in 1830.

iii. SCOTT SUNDERLAND HITCHENS. Born Aug. 2, 1840, in Logan County, O. Died Dec. 5, 1873, in Williamsport, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery. Married in Toledo, Ohio, in 1862, Affie Avery, who was born in 1841 in Toledo and died Sept. 9, 1892, in Toledo.

iv. SARAH C. HITCHENS. Born Sept. 6, 1843, in Williamsport, Ind. Died May 25, 1904, in Wichita Falls, Tex. Married in Williamsport by Rev. Francis S. McCabe, June 20, 1865, Levin T. Miller, son of Lazarus and Frances Cogswell (Buell) Miller, who was born Aug. 7, 1838, in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio, and died Mar. 1, 1908, in Pasadena, Calif. Both are buried in Wichita Falls, Tex.

107.

Children of Elizabeth Hitchens (105-ii) and James Armsworth:

All of the children were born in Ross County, Ohio.

i. BENNETT ARMSWORTH. Born Oct. 9, 1828. Died July 17, 1911. Married Nov. 22, 1855, Martha Ater.

ii. Sarah Armsworth. Born Feby. 10, 1830. Died Mar. 15, 1871, in Williamsport, Ind. (Unmarried). Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

iii. William Armsworth. Died in Williamsport.

iv. Elizabeth Armsworth. Born Mar. 21, 1838. Died Dec. 18, 1904. Buried in Highland Cemetery, Williamsport. Married Joseph M. Thomas, who was born Oct. 1, 1831, and died Dec. 13, 1902.

108.

Children of Peter Hitchens (105-iii) and Susan Doll:

All of the children were probably born in Chillicothe, Ohio.

i. Sarah Ann Hitchens. Born Jan. 15, 1832. Died Aug. 15, 1914. Married John A. May.

ii. John Edmiston Hitchens. Born Dec. 22, 1833. Died Dec. 3, 1918. Married Sarah A. Ray.

iii. Martha Jane Hitchens. Born Jan. 14, 1836. Died Sept. 11, 1876. (Unmarried).

iv. Margaret Elizabeth Hitchens. Born Feby. 9, 1844. Died Aug. 10, 1929. Married William G. Ray.

v. Mary Louisa Hitchens. Born Mar. 5, 1846. Died Jany. 2, 1849.

vi. America Smith Hitchens. Born Feby. 6, 1848. Married in Monticello, Ills. June 30, 1868, Riley I. Tatman, who died in 1910.

vii. George Hitchens. Born Jany. 9, 1850. Died April 4, 1932. Married Sarah McMillan.

viii. William Scott Hitchens. Born Dec. 16, 1851. Died Mar. 3, 1917. Married Lina Conoway.

109.

Children of Priscilla Hitchens (105-v) and———— DeCamp:

i. Susan DeCamp. Married in Williamsport, Ind. by Rev. John L. King, Sept. 10, 1863, James Harvey Bonebrake.

ii. George DeCamp.

110.

Children of Martha Ann Hitchens (105-vi) and William Long:

i. William Long. Born July 31, 1831.

ii. Susannah Long. Born Mar. 2, 1833.

iii. Mary Ann Long. Born April 1, 1835.

111.

Children of John Hitchens (105-vii) and Mary Boyle:

Both children were born in Chillicothe, Ohio.

i. Virginia Hitchens. Born in 1844. Died in 1919. Married in Indianapolis, Ind. Morris Irick.

ii. Theodosia Hitchens. Born Nov. 25, 1848. Died Apr. 28, 1932, in Danville, Ills. Married in Williamsport, Ind. Mar. 29, 1870, Edward S. Harper, who was born Oct. 19, 1844, in La Porte, Ind. and died May 29, 1921, in Danville. Both are buried in Gordon Cemetery, Danville.

112.

Children of Levin Smith Hitchens (105-ix) and Mercy Wright:

i. Florence Hitchens. Born Apr. 14, 1852, in Chillicothe, O. Married Mar. 9, 1882, John H. Kirker.

ii. Ida Hitchens. Born June 24, 1855, in Circleville, O. Married George Hoge.

iii. Kate Hitchens. Born Feby. 16, 1858, in Williamsport, Ind. Married Aug. 17, 1882, Benjamin F. Stults.

iv. John Simpson Hitchens. Born Dec. 25, 1861, in Williamsport, Ind. Died Sept. 2, 1926, at Literberry, Ills. Married in 1885.

v. Maggie Hitchens. Born May 20, 1867, at Ash Grove. Married————Baker.

vi. Laura Hitchens. Born Nov. 7, 1871, at Ancona, Ills. Died Apr. 27, 1931, at Plymouth, Ills. Married William R. Hamilton.

113.

Children of Martha Jane Hitchens (106-i) and William Kent:

See Chapter I, No. 11.

114.

Children of Scott Sunderland Hitchens (106-iii) and Affie Avery:

All of the children were born in Williamsport, Ind.

i. Edwin Elisha Hitchens. Born June 4, 1863. Died Oct. 2, 1916, in Toledo, O. Married Mary Hayes, who was born Nov. 29, 1869, and died Mar. 29, 1920.

ii. Fred Cissna Hitchens. Born Oct. 3, 1865. Married May 12, 1896, Margaret Magee, who was born Oct. 22, 1862.

iii. Mary Emma Hitchens. Born Sept. 2, 1867. Died Jany. 20, 1868 in Williamsport. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

115.

Children of Sarah C. Hitchens (106-iv) and Levin T. Miller:

Both children were born in Williamsport, Ind.

i. Fred Scott Miller. Born Nov. 8, 1868. Married in Chicago, Sept. 30, 1897, Anne Elizabeth Cornish.

ii. Mary Miller. Born Oct. 4, 1875. Died Sept. 5, 1903, in Colorado Springs, Colo. (Unmarried). Buried in Wichita Falls, Texas.

116.

Children of Edwin Elisha Hitchens (114-i) and Mary Hayes:

All of the children were born in Toledo, Ohio.

i. Vera Marie Hitchens. Born Dec. 17, 1897. Married J. Edw. Simon.

ii. Francis Edwin Hitchens. Born Dec. 9, 1899.

iii. Marion Elizabeth Hitchens. Born Jany. 7, 1903. Died June 30, 1907, in Toledo.

iv. Dorothy Margaret Hitchens. Born Apr. 21, 1905.

117.

Children of Fred Scott Miller (115-i) and Anne Elizabeth Cornish:

All of the children were born in Chicago, Ills.

i. WARING CORNISH MILLER. Born June 30, 1898. Died Dec. 9, 1902, in Chicago. Buried in Oakwoods Cemetery.

ii. MILDRED SARAH MILLER. Born Feby. 10, 1903. Married in Chicago by Rev. Edward Reiner, May 25, 1927, Curtis C. Corey, son of Lester and Ida (Wright) Corey, who was born Aug. 3, 1901, at Churdan, Iowa.

iii. LEONORE FRANCES MILLER. Born Feby. 6, 1906.

118.

Child of Mildred Sarah Miller (117-ii) and Curtis C. Corey:

i. CHARLES CURTIS COREY. Born June 8, 1930, in Chicago.

CHAPTER V.

The Fennimore and King Families.

119.

Richard Fennimore, our ancestor, came to America from England about 1678, settling in Burlington County, New Jersey. It is possible that he came over in the "Kent." He obtained 350 acres of land near where the town of Beverly now stands. His first wife was Mary————————, by whom he had three children:

John.

William. (Our ancestor).

Joseph.

After the death of his first wife he married, in 1711, Mary Crosby. Richard Fennimore died in December, 1713.

120.

William Fennimore married Elizabeth————————. Their children were:

John. (Our ancestor). Married Dec. 3, 1730, Sarah Bryant.

Richard.

William.

Henry.

Charles.

Rebecca.

Jane.

Mary. Married in 1728 Abraham Bryant, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Collins) Bryant.

William Fennimore's will was dated May 14, 1721, and was probated May 25, 1721, at Burlington, N. J.

121.

John Fennimore, son of William, died in Burlington County, N. J. in 1777, his will being probated on August 13th of that year.

He married Dec. 3, 1730, Sarah Bryant, by whom he had the following children:

WILLIAM. (Our ancestor).

JOSEPH.

BENJAMIN.

HANNAH. Married Enoch Fenton.

SARAH. Married Benjamin Stevenson.

THOMAS.

PRISCILLA. Married George Wills.

JOHN.

SARAH BRYANT, wife of John Fennimore and grandmother of Hannah Fennimore, was the daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Collins) Bryant. Rebecca's father, Francis Collins, was born Jany. 6, 1635. He married Sarah Mayham in 1663, at the Friends' Meeting House, Aldersgate. He came to New Jersey in 1682 and two years later was elected to represent the third tenth, and was one of the Judges of the court of the territory of West Jersey, within the bounds of Gloucester.

122.

WILLIAM FENNIMORE, son of John and Sarah (Bryant) Fennimore, was born in 1731. He married Martha Mott, daughter of Ebenezer and Sarah (Collins) Mott, May 15, 1765. The date of his death is not known.

EBENEZER MOTT, father of Martha (Mott) Fennimore, married Sarah Collins, probably in Burlington County, N. J. He had formerly lived in Kingston, R. I. and later in Tuckerton, R. I. His first wife, Elizabeth, died about 1745. Ebenezer was descended from Adam Mott, who was born in Cambridge County, England, in 1596.

123.

HANNAH FENNIMORE, eldest child of William and Martha (Mott) Fennimore, was born in Mt. Holly, N. J. July 3, 1766, and died in Columbus, Ohio, July 25, 1835. She married William King about 1791.

124.

Hermanus King, the first ancestor of this family of whom we have a record, died May 21, 1727. His wife was Mary————. Their children were:

John.

Mary. Married ————French.

Joseph.

Francis. (Our ancestor).

125.

Francis King married Catherine Thorne, daughter of John Thorne. They had two children:

Samuel. (Our ancestor).

Daniel.

126.

Samuel King was born in Burlington County, N. J. He married (1) Theodosia Briggs. (2) Elizabeth Fenton. His will was dated May 3, 1799, and was probated April 9, 1803, in Salem County, N. J. He had three children:

William. (Our ancestor).

John.

Elizabeth. Married William Willis.

127.

William King was born on Long Island May 9, 1756, and died in Ross County, Ohio, August 2, 1818. He married (1) Mary West, July 6, 1778. (2) Hannah Fennimore, about 1791. The family moved from Mt. Holly, N. J. to Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1801.

128.

Children of William and Mary (West) King:

i. William Rufus King.
ii. John King.
iii. Elizabeth King.
iv. Two Others, Names not known.

129.

Children of William and Hannah (Fennimore) King:

The first six children were born in Burlington County, N. J. The others in Ross County, Ohio.

i. SARAH KING. Born about 1793. Died in 1796.

ii. CHARLES KING. Born Jany. 8, 1795. Died April 2, 1842, in LaFayette, Ind. (Unmarried).

iii. SARAH FENNIMORE KING. Born June 8, 1796. Died May 20, 1864, in LaFayette. Married (1) Stephen Cissna. (2) Noah Justice, who was born Jany. 10, 1802, and died Jany. 10, 1856.

iv. RHODA KING. Born Nov. 28, 1797. Died Aug. 5, 1854, in LaFayette, of cholera. (Unmarried). Buried in Greenbush Cemetery.

v. MARTHA KING. Born Nov. 4, 1799. Died Feby. 28, 1834, in Attica, Ind. Married (1) John Meek. (2) Daniel Clark.

vi. JANE KING. Born May 2, 1801. Died Sept. 7, 1842, in LaFayette. Buried in Greenbush Cemetery. Married in Ross County, O., Dec. 20, 1820, Nimrod Rochester, who was born Mar. 27, 1794, in Richmond County, Va. and died in Columbus, O., in August, 1833, of cholera.

vii. EBENEZER KING. Born Dec. 2, 1802. Died Oct. 12, 1871, in Anna, Ills. Married, in 1826, Mary————.

viii. GEORGE KING. Born Aug. 2, 1804. Died in 1870 in Watseka, Ills. Married Delilah DeVault, who died in 1874.

ix. MARY KING. (Our ancestor). Born April 20, 1807. Died Aug. 19, 1879, in Williamsport, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery. Married in Ross County, Ohio, June 11, 1826, Elisha Hitchens, who was born Aug. 10, 1806, in Ross County, O. and died Mar. 24, 1897, in Williamsport.

130.

Children of Sarah Fennimore King (129-iii) and Stephen Cissna:

Both children were born in Chillicothe, Ohio.

i. STEPHEN CISSNA. Born Feby. 9, 1815. Died Apr. 26, 1900, in Watseka, Ills. Married (1) in Williamsport, Ind. Apr.

13, 1848, Elizabeth Miller, who died Aug. 2, 1858. Married (2) Nov. 6, 1864, Clara Hawk, who was born Sept. 23, 1839, and died Oct. 20, 1930, in Watseka.

ii. William Cissna. Born June 17, 1817. Died Feby. 25, 1895. (Unmarried).

131.

Children of Sarah Fennimore King (129-iii) and Noah Justice:

i. George K. Justice. Born Sept. 12, 1832. Died in 1905.

ii. Rhoda King Justice. Born Feby. 9, 1835. Died Oct. 14, 1921. Married July 3, 1853, Julius C. Rose, who was born May 14, 1828, and died Feby. 23, 1877.

iii. Noah Justice. Born Oct. 16, 1837. Died Jany. 11, 1925.

iv. Sarah Jane Justice. Born Apr. 15, 1839. Died Oct. 13, 1879. Married Samuel Moore.

132.

Children of Martha King (129-v) and Daniel Clark:

i. Hannah Clark. Born Sept. 23, 1819. Died July 3, 1873. Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport, Ind. Married Thomas Templeton, who was born in December, 1818, and died Mar. 13, 1856. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

ii. Mary Clark. Married William Shockley.

iii. Sarah Clark. Married William Kerr.

iv. Martha J. Clark. Born Feby. 12, 1828. Died Feby. 12, 1852, in Warren County, Ind. Buried in Gopher Hill Cemetery. Married in Warren County, Ind. by Rev. I. H. Aldrich, May 10, 1849, John Wallace Kent, son of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent.

v. Stephen A. Clark. Born in 1830. Died in 1919. Buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis. Married Martha Foudray.

vi. Rhoda Clark. Married————Vanatta.

133.

Children of Jane King (129-vi) and Nimrod Rochester:

All of the children were born in Columbus, Ohio.

i. William King Rochester. Born May 3, 1822. Died May 23, 1862, in LaFayette, Ind. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery. Married in LaFayette, Apr. 5, 1854, Madeline DuTiel, who died Aug. 27, 1901.

ii. Jeremiah Rochester. Born about 1823. Died in Columbus, O. in August 1833, of cholera.

iii. George Rochester. Born Sept. 30, 1824. Died Oct. 30, 1838, in LaFayette.

iv. Mary Rochester. Born Sept. 11, 1826. Died May 5, 1896, in Chicago, Ills. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette. Married in LaFayette by Rev. Joseph G. Wilson, Nov. 24, 1842, Robert Breckenridge, who was born May 2, 1815, in Argyleshire, Scotland, and died Feby. 21, 1894, in LaFayette. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery.

v. Sarah C. Rochester. Born Nov. 30, 1828. Died Apr. 30, 1907, in Indianapolis. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette. Married in LaFayette by Rev. Joseph G. Wilson, May 22, 1849, Ross Gordon, who was born Jany. 1, 1822, in Butler County, O. and died Jany. 1, 1894, in Indianapolis. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette.

vi. Nimrod Rochester. Died in 1831.

vii. Hannah Jane Rochester. Born Apr. 12, 1833. Died June 19, 1908, in Indianapolis, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport, Ind. Married at LaFayette by Rev. Charles H. Marshall, in 1853, George de Zeng Lawrence, who was born Oct. 14, 1825, and died Aug. 30, 1854, at LaFayette. Buried in Greenbush Cemetery. Married (2) in Williamsport, Ind. in 1858, Horace Duy Thomas, who died July 27, 1892 in Williamsport and is buried in Hillside Cemetery.

134.

Children of Ebenezer King (129-vii) and Mary ————.

i. Martha King. Married R. B. Stinson Dec. 21, 1870, in Anna, Ills. Died in Anna.

ii. KATE KING. Married A. D. Bohanan in Cairo, Ills.

135.

Children of George King (129-viii) and Delilah De Vault:

i. WILLIAM KING. Born Nov. 1, 1830, in Ross County, O. Died May 21, 1841, in Williamsport, Ind. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

ii. JANE KING. Born in 1833 in Ross County, O. Died Oct. 14, 1918, in California. Married in 1854 Franklin Blades, who was born in 1830 in Indiana and died in 1914 in California.

iii. GEORGE EDWARD KING. Born in 1839 near LaFayette, Ind. Died in 1928 in Michigan. Married Elizabeth Arnold.

iv. MARY ELIZABETH KING. Died in infancy. (Mar. 7, 1843 or '45). Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport.

v. MARIA LOUISA KING. Died in Oct. 1844, aged 6 months, 7 days. Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport.

vi. CHARLES NELSON KING. Born Sept. 27, 1846. Married Cornelia Hawk.

136.

Children of Mary King (129-ix) and Elisha Hitchens:

See Chapter IV, No. 106.

137.

Children of Stephen Cissna (130-i) and Elizabeth Miller:

All of the children were born in Williamsport, Ind.

i. SARAH FRANCES CISSNA. Born Jany. 28, 1849. Died July 27, 1924, in Watseka, Ills. (Unmarried).

ii. GEORGE KING CISSNA. Born June 17, 1851. Died Oct. 9, 1879. Married (1) Mary————. (2) Eva Wright, Oct. 7, 1879.

iii. CHARLES M. CISSNA. Born April 3, 1854. Died Dec. 30, 1855. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

138.

Children of Rhoda King Justice (131-ii) and Julius C. Rose:

i. Sarah Elizabeth Rose. Born Aug. 14, 1854. Died Apr. 19, 1855.

ii. Sylvester Rose. Born Feby. 15, 1856. Died Aug. 7, 1928. Married (1) Elizabeth Johnson. (2) Mary Hickman.

iii. Mary Rose. Born Feby. 12, 1858. Died Dec. 12, 1860.

iv. Martha Jane Rose. Born Aug. 23, 1860. Died Oct. 1, 1931. (Unmarried).

v. Elizabeth Cissna Rose. Born Sept. 28, 1862. Married Dec. 15, 1897, Frank Leslie Brumback.

vi. Bertha Rose. Born Aug. 10, 1865. Died Mar. 4, 1869.

vii. William Colfax Rose. Born July 15, 1868. Married Dec. 5, 1894, Anna Jane Ranton.

viii. Luella Clark Rose. Born Feby. 21, 1872. (Unmarried).

ix. Julius Arthur Rose. Born Jany. 4, 1875. Died July 27, 1898. Married Jany. 11, 1898, Mary C. DeVile.

139.

Children of William King Rochester (133-i) and Madeline DuTiel:

All of the children were born in Lafayette, Ind.

i. Ada Rochester. Born June 23, 1856. Died Jany. 17, 1931, in Lafayette. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery. Married in Lafayette by Rev. Cunningham, Feby. 20, 1892, Albert Duy Thomas, an attorney at law of Crawfordsville, Ind., who died Nov. 13, 1925. He was at one time Judge of the Circuit Court of Montgomery and Parke Counties, Indiana.

ii. Elizabeth D. Rochester. Born June 22, 1858. Died May 27, 1903, in Berne, Switzerland. Buried in Greenbush Cemetery, Lafayette. Married in Lafayette by Rev. Dr. Martin in July, 1881, Samuel Probasco Baird, son of Zebulon and Martha M. (Probasco) Baird, who was born Oct. 16, 1842, in Lafayette, and died in 1925. Buried in Greenbush Cemetery. He graduated

from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1865 as midshipman. Promoted to ensign in 1867, and later to master and lieutenant. In 1871 he was appointed instructor in seamanship and naval tactics at the U. S. Naval Academy. Resigned his commission in 1872 to take up the practice of law in Lafayette.

iii. Mary Rochester. Born Apr. 4, 1862. Died Apr. 19, 1867.

140.

Children of Mary Rochester (133-iv) and Robert Breckenridge:

All of the children were born in LaFayette, Ind.

i. Mary Ellen Breckenridge. Born Nov. 7, 1844. Died May 9, 1919, in Jacksonville, Fla. Married in LaFayette, June 22, 1865, Samuel Colville Vance, who died May 3, 1913.

ii. Jeannie Rochester Breckenridge. Born Aug. 17, 1846. Died Nov. 17, 1910, in Denver, Colo. Married in LaFayette by Rev. D. Pearson, in June, 1871, James Serviss Warwick, who was born in 1840 and died in 1924. Both are buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette.

iii. William Rochester Breckenridge. Born Jany. 17, 1849. Married in LaFayette by Rev. J. W. T. Boothe, Nov. 23, 1876, Harriet M. Gregory, daughter of William L. and Susan C. Gregory, who was born June 1, 1851, in Guilford, Vermont, and died June 14, 1917, in Kankakee, Ills. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette. He is a retired grain dealer, living in Kankakee.

iv. Jeannette Breckenridge. Born Aug. 5, 1853. Died Dec. 4, 1914, in Belmont, Mass. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette. Married (1) Charles P. Hyde, who died Feby. 23, 1877. Married (2) George Willard Warwick, who was born in 1849, and died in 1918. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery.

v. Robert Breckenridge. Born June 27, 1855. Died Jany. 30, 1864, in LaFayette.

141.

Children of Sarah C. Rochester (133-v) and Ross Gordon:

All of the children were born in LaFayette, Ind.

i. Anna Belle Gordon. Born Dec. 19, 1852. Married in LaFayette by Rev. W. C. Dickinson, Dec. 26, 1878, John P. Hart, who was born July 31, 1847 and died May 10, 1931.

ii. Florence Gordon. Born Aug. 17, 1855. Married in LaFayette by Rev. W. C. Dickinson, Sept. 22, 1880, Albert David Thomas, who was born Oct. 26, 1849, at College Hill, Ohio. In 1877 he entered the service of the LaFayette Muncie & Bloomington Railroad as cashier for the receiver at LaFayette. When the road was reorganized as the Lake Erie & Western in 1879, he was appointed Treasurer, the offices remaining at LaFayette until 1883, when they were moved to Bloomington, Ills. and four years later to Indianapolis. He continued as Treasurer during the entire life of the company and until the line was merged with the N. Y. C. & St. L. in 1923, when he was retired with the title of Retired Treasurer of the N. Y. C. & St. L. The family home is at Indianapolis.

iii. William Rochester Gordon. Born Oct. 4, 1861. Died Apr. 5, 1895. (Unmarried.) Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette.

142.

Child of Hannah Jane Rochester (133-vii) and George de Zeng Lawrence:

i. Mary Lawrence. Born June 27, 1854, in LaFayette. Died Jany. 6, 1925, in Florida. Married in Williamsport, Ind. by Rev. William Wilmer, April 21, 1881, William Boyer Durborow, an attorney at law, who was born Jany 1, 1855 and died Oct. 28, 1914. Both are buried in Highland Cemetery, Williamsport.

143.

Children of Hannah Jane Rochester (133-vii) and Horace Duy Thomas:

All of the children were born in Williamsport, Ind.

i. Horace Rochester Thomas. Born in 1865. Died in 1923, in LaJunta, Colo. (Unmarried.) Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Williamsport.

ii. Lizzie Duy Thomas. Born in 1867. Died Aug. 13, 1871, in Williamsport. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

iii. Alice J. Thomas. Born Oct. 18, 1870. Died July 4, 1922. Buried in Hillside Cemetery. Married in Williamsport, by Rev. William Wilmer, Apr. 28, 1897, Victor H. Ringer, an attorney at law.

iv. Edgar Raimond Thomas. Born in 1873. Died in 1877. Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

144.

Child of Kate King (134-ii) and A. D. Bohanan:

i. Frank Bohanan.

145.

Children of Jane King (135-ii) and Franklin Blades:

i. Bertha Blades. Died in infancy.

ii. Paul Harcourt Blades.

iii. Edward King Blades. Married ————.

iv. Edith Blades. Married in 1902, Walter Lewis, who died in 1925.

146.

Children of George Edward King (135-iii) and Elizabeth Arnold:

i. Mabel King. Married ——— Smith.

ii. Herman King.

147.

Child of George King Cissna (137-ii) and Eva Wright:

i. Georgia Cissna. Born July 9, 1880. Married J. H. Bester.

148.

Child of William Colfax Rose (138-vii) and Anna Jane Ranton:

i. William Edward Rose. Born Jany. 1, 1896. Married Bess Watson.

149.

Child of Julius Arthur Rose (138-ix) and Mary C. DeVile:

i. Arthur J. Rose. Born Mar. 8, 1899. Married Victoria ————.

150.

Child of Elizabeth D. Rochester (139-ii) and Samuel P. Baird:

i. Rochester Baird. Born Sept. 19, 1882. Married in 1917, Eleanor Ross, daughter of William and Ella (Carnahan) Ross.

151.

Children of Mary Ellen Breckenridge (140-i) and Samuel Colville Vance:

The first four children were born in Indianapolis; the youngest in Palatka, Fla.

i. Jessie Rochester Vance. Born July 12, 1866. Married Oct. 15, 1894, Henry Marcy Randall, who died Mar. 3, 1898.

ii. Arthur Bates Vance. Born Dec. 11, 1868. Married in Florence, Colo. May 15, 1904, Arnetta McBride.

iii. Mary Breckenridge Vance. Born Apr. 15, 1871. Married at Willoughby Lake, Vermont, July 26, 1910, Lewis Clinton Gifford.

iv. Jeannette Vance. Born Dec. 31, 1872. Died Apr. 18, 1914. Married in Denver, Colo. Sept. 15, 1908, Samuel Beckley.

v. Robert Breckenridge Vance. Born in 1882. Died in February, 1884, in Palatka, Fla.

152.

Children of Jeannie Rochester Breckenridge (140-ii) and James Serviss Warwick:

Both children were born in LaFayette, Ind.

i. Robert Breckenridge Warwick. Born Jany. 4, 1874. Married in Laredo, Texas, June 16, 1906, Carlotta Rogers Johnston.

ii. Elma Warwick. Born Oct. 29, 1875. Married Dec. 1, 1901, George H. Wilmarth, who was born Dec. 22, 1875.

153.

Child of William Rochester Breckenridge (140-iii) and Harriet Gregory:

i. Louise Gregory Breckenridge. Born Aug. 28, 1879, in LaFayette. Died Dec. 4, 1914, in Kankakee, Ills. Buried in Spring Vale Cemetery, LaFayette. Married in Kankakee by Rev.

T. E. Hughes, father of the groom, assisted by Rev. J. C. Hazen, Sept. 9, 1908, Samuel B. Hughes.

154.

Children of Jeannette Breckenridge (140-iv) and Charles P. Hyde:

i. Edward Breckenridge Hyde. Born Jany. 22, 1874, in Cambridge, Mass. Died in 1906, in Chicago, Ills. Buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery. Married in Chicago, Oct. 4, 1904, Hallie Champlin.

ii. Florence Hyde. Born Jany. 9, 1876, in LaFayette. Died Aug. 6, 1876.

155.

Children of Florence Gordon (141-ii) and Albert David Thomas:

i. Ross Gordon Thomas. Born Aug. 13, 1881, in LaFayette, Ind. Married in Ft. Wayne, Ind. by Rev. J. N. Field, May 3, 1905, Adelaide Deither. He is a civil engineer, living in Lake Wales, Fla.

ii. Oliver G. Thomas. Born Dec. 27, 1885, in Bloomington, Ills. Married in Indianapolis, Ind. by Rev. J. S. Milner, Sept. 25, 1925, Lillian Stanley. He is in the automobile business at Indianapolis.

156.

Children of Mary Lawrence (142-i) and William Boyer Durborow:

Both children were born in Williamsport, Ind.

i. Lawrence Durborow. Born Sept. 11, 1883. Married in Indianapolis, May 4, 1917, Sara Sheerin, daughter of Simon P. and Mary Doherty Sheerin, who was born July 9, 1886, in Indianapolis, Ind.

ii. Madeleine Durborow. Born July 23, 1887. Married in Williamsport by Rev. E. G. Howard, June 11, 1913, Fred Gray Stevenson, son of Augustus and Carlie Stevenson, who was born July 6, 1885, at Muskegon, Mich.

157.

Children of Alice J. Thomas (143-iii) and Victor H. Ringer:

All of the children were born in Williamsport, Ind.

i. William Raimond Ringer. Born Aug. 11, 1898. Married at Ann Arbor, Mich. Aug. 7, 1924, Gladys Wells.

ii. Horace Thomas Ringer. Born Jany. 23, 1900.

iii. Alfred Victor Ringer. Born Nov. 10, 1903. Married at Indianapolis, Ind. Apr. 19, 1929, Dorothy Evelyn Slabaugh.

158.

Children of Edward King Blades (145-iii) and ————.

i. Harcourt Blades.

ii. Edward Blades.

159.

Children of Edith Blades (145-iv) and Walter Lewis:

i. Franklyn Blades Lewis. Married Lucile Welch in 1925.

ii. Kathryn Lewis. Married J. C. Hunt in 1930.

iii. Bertha Lewis.

160.

Child of Jessie Rochester Vance (151-i) and Henry Marcy Randall:

i. Mary Rochester Randall. Born Mar. 28, 1896, in Jacksonville, Fla. Married at Westmore, Vermont, Sept. 1, 1919, Simeon E. Sheffey, who was born Dec. 17, 1889, in Clay County, Texas.

161.

Children of Robert Breckenridge Warwick (152-i) and Carlotta R. Johnston:

i. Carlotta Warwick. Born Apr. 24, 1907.

ii. Robert Breckenridge Warwick.

162.

Children of Elma Warwick (152-ii) and George H. Wilmarth:

i. Jean Wilmarth. Born Sept. 9, 1904. Married Sept. 16, 1932, Paul Frederick Stricker.

ii. Marion Wilmarth. Born Jany. 26, 1907. Married at Fort Snelling, Minn. Mar. 28, 1932, Lieut. George Frederick Conner, U. S. A. who was born Nov. 24, 1906, at Ada, Ohio.

163.

Children of Louise Gregory Breckenridge (153-i) and Samuel B. Hughes:

Both children were born in Kankakee, Ills.

i. Elizabeth Breckenridge Hughes. Born Apr. 9, 1911.

ii. Mary Louise Hughes. Born Mar. 8, 1913.

164.

Children of Ross Gordon Thomas (155-i) and Adelaide Deither:

i. Ross Gordon Thomas. Born Nov. 30, 1906, in Oklahoma City, Okla. Office manager of the International Business Machine Co. in Buffalo, N. Y.

ii. Albert David Thomas. Born Feby. 7, 1909, in Youngstown, Ohio. He is in the X-Ray department of the Methodist Hospital at Indianapolis.

iii. Adelaide Patricia Thomas. Born Dec. 16, 1914, in Indianapolis.

165.

Children of Madeleine Durborow (156-ii) and Fred Gray Stevenson:

i. William Durborow Stevenson. Born Nov. 11, 1916, at Paducah, Ky.

ii. Virginia Stevenson. Born Aug. 10, 1920, at Dubuque, Iowa.

166.

Child of William Raimond Ringer (157-i) and Gladys Wells:

i. Barbara Alice Ringer. Born May 29, 1925, at LaFayette, Ind.

167.

Child of Alfred Victor Ringer (157-iii) and Dorothy Evelyn Slabaugh:

i. Thomas Latta Ringer. Born June 8, 1931, in LaFayette, Indiana.

168.

Children of Mary Rochester Randall (160-i) and Simeon E. Sheffey:

All of the children were born in San Francisco, Calif.

i. William Randall Sheffey. Born June 26, 1923.

ii. Mary Rochester Sheffey. Born June 25, 1925.

iii. Vance Sheffey. Born Sept. 26, 1928.

169.

Child of Marion Wilmarth (162-ii) and George Frederick Conner:

i. George Wilmarth Conner. Born March 10, 1933, at Minneapolis, Minn.

CHAPTER VI.

Biographical Sketches.

Some of the sketches contained in this chapter are reprinted from "Kent Family Record," it being thought desirable to make the present volume as complete as possible. Others are new. While the greater portion of the material used is authentic, some of it is necessarily founded on family tradition, verification of which is impossible at this time. However, it will not be difficult for the reader to distinguish between the facts and the traditions, and it is believed that the latter class is sufficiently accurate and of enough interest to warrant its preservation.

William Kent was born in or near Old Town, Maryland, October 3, 1763. His parents were Absalom and Nancy (or Ann) Kent. It is thought that he went to Washington County, Pennsylvania, prior to 1781. He was a soldier in the War of the Revolution, his term of service being shown in Chapter VII. The regiment to which he was first attached was composed principally of men from Pennsylvania and Kentucky, and his pension papers state that he was residing in Washington County, Penna. at the time of his enlistment.

It is believed that he lived in Tyrone Township, Fayette County, Penna. for a short time after the close of the war, although it is not certain that the William Kent who was on the Tax List for 1786 is our ancestor. At all events, he was living in Washington County in 1787 and continued to live there until his emigration to Ross County, Ohio, ten years later.

In his youth he served an apprenticeship to the weavers trade, but it is not known whether or not he actually worked at his trade. If he did, it must have been in his youth and early manhood, as he is known to have been a farmer during the greater portion of his mature years.

By deed dated June 26, 1797, William Kent and Sarah, his wife, conveyed to John Johnson, Joseph Kent and John Scritchfield, of Washington County, Pennsylvania, for a consideration of 36

pounds, "all their part interest to a tract of land formerly the property of Edward Perrin, deceased, and being in Washington county and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, called Perrinsfield, containing 400 acres strict measure, granted to William Perrin by deed dated 15th of September, 1785." This land had been taken up by Edward Perrin and after his death it was patented to his oldest son, William, for the benefit of all of his heirs, of whom Sarah (Perrin) Kent was one.

That William Kent was one of the earliest settlers in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio, is shown in the following narrative copied from Williams Brothers History of Ross and Highland Counties, Ohio, published in 1880:

> "Between November 10, 1793, and March 17, 1794, General Nathaniel Massie, assisted by Joseph and David Kilgore, chain carriers, and John Youkham, marker, made a survey of one thousand acres of land on Paint Creek, where R. R. Seymour now lives. This survey was made for Nathan Reeves, who gave the name to Reeves Crossing. In the spring of 1795, Reeves made a contract with William Kent, of Pennsylvania, whereby it was agreed that Kent should come to Ohio and clear forty acres of this tract and place it in condition for planting and that Reeves should give him, in payment, fifty acres of land, to be located at any point on the outside of the tract which he (Kent) should choose. In pursuance of this agreement, Kent came out alone into the wilderness with only his axe, gun and a small tent, settled himself back near the base of the hill, and went manfully to work. He cut the first tree ever cut in Paxton Township in preparation for actual settlement. For about six months of that year he worked thus alone in the great wilderness. There was not, at that date, a settler in Ross County. A bloody war with the Indian tribes was drawing to a close. But, amidst all the loneliness of such a life, the dangers of a forest infested with wolves, bears and panthers, and traversed constantly by hostile bands of Indians, William Kent persevered; and for fifty acres of woodland, worth a pitiable sum, cleared the first cornfield in Paxton."

Two years later, in 1797, William Kent removed from Pennsylvania, with his family, and settled in Ross County, Ohio, probably on the fifty-acre tract obtained from Mr. Reeves.

In 1806 and from 1808 to 1810 inclusive, he held the office of clerk and treasurer of Paxton Township. In 1813 he was elected township trustee and in 1816 "lister and house appraiser."

In 1839 his wife, Sarah, to whom he had been married for more than fifty years, died, and ten years later he himself passed away. Both are buried in the cemetery at Bainbridge, Ohio.

Joseph Kent, son of Absalom and Ann (or Nancy) Kent, was born Dec. 24, 1750, in England. It is believed that he was about a year old when he came with his parents to America. It seems altogether probable that the family first lived in Fairfax County, Virginia, and that they later removed to Old Town, Maryland. Joseph was living in Washington County, Pennsylvania, at the time the Federal census of 1790 was taken, at which time his family consisted of "1 male over 16 years, 1 under 16 and 3 females," which it is believed represented himself, wife and three children.

On April 13, 1802, Joseph Kent and Ann, his wife, deeded to Thomas Allison a parcel of land in Washington County containing 66 acres and being a part of a tract of land called Perrinsfield, granted to William Perrin for himself and in trust for the other heirs of Edward Perrin, deceased.

In a deed dated March 13, 1807, Joseph Kent and Ann, his wife, then residing in Jefferson County, Ohio, executed a deed for land in Washington County, Penna., reading in part: "Whereas, Zachariah Rankin (deceased) late of Smith Township, Washington County, Pa., in his last will and testament, did bequeath his land to his only child, Abby Rankin, subject to his wife's dower, and whereas Joseph Kent is married unto Ann, the widow and relict of the said Zachariah Rankin, deceased" they "Joseph Kent and Ann, his wife, of Jefferson County, Ohio," in consideration of $100 "paid by Isaac Wood, the husband of the aforesaid Abby" and $100 to be paid in 5 years, quit claim all right, etc., to John McCalmont of Washington County, Penna. in land of Zachariah Rankin.

Zachariah Rankin (a son of William Rankin, who went to Washington County in the fall of 1773) took up a tract of land near his father's. It was surveyed in 1785 as "Black Oak Ridge," contained 337 acres and was located on Raccoon Creek. In the

October following, he was bitten by a mad wolf and died three months later of hydrophobia. He was married and a daughter was born after his death. She inherited the property and became the wife of Isaac Wood. (History of Washington County.)

From the deed of April 13, 1802, referred to above, as well as from family tradition, it is thought Ann Rankin Kent may have been related to Sarah Perrin, who married William Kent. However, that is not certain.

Joseph Kent died in 1856, at the age of 106 years.

Absalom Kent, believed to be the brother of Joseph and William, was born in Fairfax County, Virginia, Oct. 16, 1752. His name is on the tax lists of Tyrone Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, for 1785 and each succeeding year to 1805, when he removed from the state. In the census of 1790 he is listed as "Head of Family." From Pennsylvania, he went to Harrison County, Ohio, where he probably settled near the town of Cadiz. While living in Ohio, he applied for and received a pension as a soldier in the Revolution. The date and place of his death are not known.

Perrin Kent, son of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent, was born in Hopewell Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania, in 1794. When about three years of age, he moved with his parents to Ross County, Ohio. In 1826 he came to Warren County, Indiana, where he spent the remainder of his life.

He was a soldier in the War of 1812, his record being given in Chapter VII. In May, 1827, he served on the first grand jury of Warren County, which met at the home of Enoch Farmer in Warrenton, then the county seat. He took the first Federal census ever taken in the county, in 1830.

Among the papers of Isabel Kent Hannah, found after her death, was an item which had evidently been copied from an old history, which read: "On April 17, 1818, Mr. Kent was married to Miss Rebecca Dill, who was connected with families well known in the History of the West, and a relative of Gen. Arthur St. Clair, whose unfortunate defeat by the Indians in November, 1791, has a prominent place in the history of the North-west." Gen. James Dill, brother of Rebecca, married Elizabeth (St. Clair) Lawrence,

daughter of Gen. Arthur St. Clair and widow of Capt. John Lawrence, in 1799. Gen. St. Clair was born in Scotland in 1736. He was a student in the University of Edinburg, but before completing his course, was commissioned Lieutenant in the British Army. He fought with Gen. Wolfe at the Battle of Quebec in 1759. Soon afterward he went to Boston and there he married Phoebe Bayard, a half sister of the Governor of the Colony. At the outbreak of the Revolution, he was commissioned Colonel in the American Army and was afterward promoted to Major General. In 1786, he was elected to the Continental Congress, and was President of that body when the ordinance of 1787 was adopted. From 1788 to 1800 he was Governor of the North West Territory. During this time he conducted an expedition against the Miami Indians, of whom Little Turtle was chief. The American Army reached the head waters of the Wabash River, near where Fort Recovery was afterward built, on November 3, 1791. The next morning, about half an hour before sunrise, they were attacked by the Indians and disastrously defeated, the army being driven back to Fort Jefferson, a distance of about 29 miles. Gen. St. Clair lost 39 officers killed; 593 men killed and missing; 32 officers and 242 men wounded. In 1802 he retired from public office and spent the remainder of his life in obscurity and semi-poverty. He died in 1818 at Chestnut Ridge and is buried at Greensburg, Penna.

From 1828 to 1852, Perrin Kent was surveyor of Warren County. In addition, he did a great deal of surveying for the government. When about eighty years of age, he wrote the following account of his early life in Warren County and of his work for the government:

> "I was born in Washington County, Penn., July 11, 1794. My father moved to Ross County, 17 miles west of Chillicothe, on Paint Creek in 1797.
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> In 1826 I with my wife and four children came to what is now Warren County on the farm where (I) now reside and have lived ever since. I bought this land two years before, going to the land office at Palestine, Ill. where all the land in Range 10 was for sale, until I closed up the (transaction) under a contract with the government in 1834. (This date is evidently erroneous. The land patent, signed by John Quincy Adams, is dated April 15, 1825. A.S.K.)

Thos. Cunningham, now dead, Enoch Strawn, Lewis Evans, Samuel Watkins, Thos. Wright and his widowed mother, Thos. and Benj. Chiniwith, all dead, they were living on Mound Prairie. Jos. Foster and Geo. Switzer were living just out on the edge of the Grand Prairie. Came in the year 1827.

A few families were settled north of me on Pine Creek and two or three others at Independence; two or three others on Little Pine. On Big Pine two Fosters, Enoch Farmer near the mouth, a family by the name of Boggs, who built the first saw mill in Warren County shortly after I came to the county. Wm. Harrison who laid out Williamsport was at this place in 1826 and Squire Herrington.

I surveyed the towns of Williamsport and Independence.

In 1834 I took a contract from Gen. Williams, Surveyor General at St. Louis to close up the surveys in Range 10, on both sides of the state line from (one or two words missing) of the boundary line of the Harrison Purchase, a little south and west of Terre Haute, up to the Township 20 line, and from this point I closed up the surveys on the Illinois side of the state line to the Kankakee River, while Ex-Gov. Hillis of Indiana closed up the surveys to Beaver Lake—as he had a contract to do the surveying of Fractional Range 10 in Indiana from T. 20 to Beaver Lake—and from Beaver Lake to the Kankakee. I closed up the surveys on both sides of the line. I ran out a portion of the interior of the sections in Range 10.

I also ran out one entire township east of Beaver Lake in Range 9 and one entire township north-east of Beaver Lake in Range 9 for a Mr. Goodenough of Madison, Ind., this being in his contract. This was in the winter of 1835. In 1837, I took a contract of the Surveyor General to survey two or three counties in the southeast part of Iowa. I was at this work about seven months, and ran out two or three counties into townships and did much subdividing of the same into sections."

Perrin Kent had a genial disposition and delighted to gather around him his descendants for "family dinners." On one occasion there were more than sixty relatives and friends present, including children, grandchildren and a few great-grandchildren. He was always vigorous and interested in everything pertaining to the progress of the country and of his community.

Josiah Pillow Kent, son of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent, was born in Ross County, Ohio, in 1804. He spent his early life in Paxton Township, and on August 2nd, 1836, was married to Clarissa Poole. She was a native of Maryland, but was left an orphan at an early age and was raised by a half-brother in Ohio. Immediately after their marriage they moved to Sangamon County, Illinois, settling on a farm about two and one-half miles south-west of Illiopolis. The exact center of the State of Illinois is said to be on this farm. He died July 28, 1856, the result of a tumor caused by the bite of a stallion. Both he and his wife are buried in Long Point Cemetery, at Niantic, Ills.

Joseph Bell Kent, son of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent, was born in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio, in 1806. About a year after his marriage to Elizabeth Staley in 1829, they moved to Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana, not many miles from where his brother Perrin had settled in 1826. The family remained in Warren County for several years and then, after a short sojourn in Vermilion County, Illinois, went to Buchanan County, Missouri. After the death of his first wife, which occurred in 1844, Joseph and the children returned to Ross County, Ohio, and there the following year he married Anna Evans. He remained in Ross County until after the birth of one child, and then, with his wife and five children (four of whom were by his first wife) he again went to Missouri. It is said that on this trip he had, in addition to his family, only an old cart, an old grey mare, and five dollars in gold. Shortly after reaching St. Joseph he acquired a farm in the Platte Purchase, in what is now Andrew County, where he continued to reside until his death in 1889.

Jesse Harrison Kent, son of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent, was born in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio, in November, 1809. He passed his boyhood and youth in Ross County, and in 1826 went to Sangamon County, Ills. He first engaged in farming near Illiopolis and then removed to Springfield, where he became a contractor and builder. He was also engaged in wagon-making. In 1838, he married Lydia A. Walker in Christian County, Ills. She was born in Virginia but later lived near Bainbridge, Ohio, and it was there she met her future husband. Her father, Daniel Walker, moved to Christian County, Ills., in 1835, and afterward to Springfield.

Jesse Harrison Kent resided in Springfield until 1874, when he went to Missouri, living for a time near Savannah. He then returned to Springfield, where he continued to reside until his death in 1886. Both he and his wife are buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

Not a great deal is known regarding the other children of William and Sarah (Perrin) Kent. Drusilla and Susannah both married and are believed to have lived in southern Indiana for some years before their death. The date and place of Nancy's death are unknown.

Absalom and Catherine both lived in Missouri, but whether in the same county is not known. There is a tradition that Absalom was in California during the gold rush of 1849, and that he had been quite successful. It is not certain whether he died in Missouri or Kansas.

There is some evidence that William lived for a time in Warren County, Indiana, but confirmation is lacking at this time. He was living in Marion County, Iowa, as early as 1850, and possibly some years previously. He served one term as County Surveyor and surveyed several towns, including Columbia, Coalport and a subdivision of Knoxville. Sally Ann, who married James Blaine, also lived in Marion County.

John Kelley Kent was married in Warren County, Ind. in 1838. It is believed that he went there as early as 1835, and that he continued to live there for several years after his marriage. He then removed to Illinois, where he probably spent the remainder of his life.

There is considerable doubt as to the correct name of the fifteenth child of William and Sarah, whom I have called "Sybil Ann," and who married Thomas Myers. The entry in the Bible is so faded as to be undecipherable. It has been called "Sybdann," "Siboam," and "Sybil Ann" by various members of the family. She lived in what is now Kent Township, Warren County, Indiana, east and north of the Perrin Kent homestead. The house is still standing (1933). She is thought to have died two or three years after her marriage. Her death certainly occurred prior to 1845, as Thomas Myers married Elizabeth High in February of that year. He died in Page County, Iowa. In his will he mentions

his daughter "Sibean," who may have been the daughter of his first wife, and was evidently named for her. One possible explanation is that the mother was given the diminutive "Sibie-Ann" and that the daughter's name was derived from this diminutive.

Charlotte Dill Kent, eldest child of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent was seven years old when the family moved from Ross County, Ohio, where she was born, to Warren County, Indiana, at that time an almost uninhabited section of the country. She grew up amidst pioneer surroundings and in June, 1838, was married to Col. Ebenezer F. Lucas, who had recently been appointed Clerk of the Circuit Court. The young couple went to live in Williamsport, the county seat, where they remained until about 1846. They then moved to their farm in Kent Township, a short distance southeast of State Line City. Her husband's business requiring his absence from home during a considerable portion of the time, the management of the farm devolved upon Charlotte. She proved to be a very capable and energetic manager, and under her direction the farm was highly prosperous.

Col. Lucas was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, Feby. 22, 1807. In his youth he moved to Indiana and was one of the first teachers in Warren County. He was appointed Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court and in May, 1838, was commissioned by Governor Wallace to fill the unexpired term of James Cunningham, deceased. In 1844 he was made Chief Engineer of the Wabash and Erie Canal, and was afterward its General Superintendent.

In 1857 he was employed by the Toledo & Wabash Railway to purchase land on which to locate its shops. He first tried to acquire this land at LaFayette, but met with so much opposition on the part of the owners that it was finally decided to locate the shops at Ft. Wayne. It is said that the land at that place was donated.

Col. Lucas died in August, 1871, while engaged in locating the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad. (History of Tippecanoe County, Ind.)

William Kent, eldest son of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent, was born in Paxton Township, Ross County, Ohio, May 15, 1821. He was named for his Revolutionary Grandfather, William

Kent. At the age of five, he came to Indiana with his parents and lived with them on their farm in what is now Kent Township, Warren County. When a young man he moved to Williamsport, the county seat, where he spent the remainder of his life.

In 1846, he and Elisha Hitchens established a general store in Williamsport under the firm name of Kent & Hitchens. The grain trade in that section had already reached large proportions and in 1847 boats had commenced to run on the Wabash & Erie Canal, which was located on the opposite side of the river. This gave the buyers in Attica and other places on the canal a great advantage over those in Williamsport. As early as 1848 the question of a side-cut canal to serve Williamsport was broached and in 1849 or 1850 a subscription was started to raise funds to carry out the project. William Kent headed the list with $1,000, and many others subscribed smaller amounts. The side-cut was finally completed in 1852 at a cost of about $16,000. Kent & Hitchens built a large grain warehouse near the river, and also a pork-packing establishment. They bought a fleet of boats to carry their produce to market, one of the boats being named "Mary Kent."

After the completion of the railroad, William Kent built a grain warehouse on the north side of the tracks, about opposite where the depot now stands. He also built branch grain houses at various stations and opened a general store at Marshfield. At the latter place his brother, Thomas D. Kent, had charge of the business. The "Warren Republican," which was published in Williamsport, in its issue of August 6, 1857, said: "William Kent is shipping shelled corn from his warehouse by railroad. This is the first shipment of grain by rail from this place." It is said that at about this period there were as many as 78 teams waiting at one time to be unloaded.

He was actively interested in the construction and early operation of the Toledo & Wabash Railway (now the Wabash) and was a Director of that company for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1859, and subsequently to Dec. 31, 1864, inclusive. He was appointed to meet Abraham Lincoln at State Line City, February 11, 1861, when on his way to Washington for his first inaugural.

William Kent owned considerable real estate in Williamsport and platted several subdivisions to the town, including the first lots platted in the new town after the railroad was built.

While still in the prime of life, he met with an injury which prevented him from continuing in active work. He passed away at his home May 10, 1884, and is buried in Hillside Cemetery.

MARTHA JANE HITCHENS, daughter of Elisha and Mary (King) Hitchens, was born April 3, 1827, at Clarksburg, Ross County, Ohio. She had a remarkable memory and through going to school with a young friend, learned to read when only three years old; and from hearing the classes recite, she acquired a fair knowledge of Geography and probably other subjects.

When about five years of age she moved with her parents to East Liberty, Ohio. The following year she witnessed the shower of Leonids, beyond doubt the greatest fall of meteors ever recorded. This was in November, 1833. It was probably this spectacle that gave rise to her interest in Astronomy. In later years she taught her children the names of many of the constellations, as well as of the planets and brighter stars.

During the late eighteen-thirties and very early forties she attended school in Chillicothe, where she lived with her grandparents, George and Sarah (England) Hitchens. Altogether, she received what was for those days an excellent education.

In 1841, she went to Williamsport with her parents and her brother Scott, who was about a year old at the time. There she spent the remainder of her life.

On April 6, 1847, she married William Kent. The marriage took place at the home of her parents on the old River Road, or Third Street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Jabez Neal.

WILLIAM HITCHENS KENT, son of William and Martha Jane (Hitchens) Kent, graduated from Wabash College at Crawfordsville, Ind. in 1873, subsequently receiving the degree of Master of Arts. Soon after leaving college he was admitted to the bar. He practiced his profession in Williamsport until 1876, when he went to Omaha, Neb. to engage in newspaper work. Upon his arrival in Omaha he became city editor of the Evening News, which position he held until its suspension a few months later. He then became connected with the Bee, first as reporter and later as city editor. In 1880 he was elected coroner of Douglas County, although continuing in newspaper work.

About the year 1883 he was employed by Bill Nye to take the editorial management of the Boomerang, published in Laramie, Wyo., and to write a column of matter each day. He remained with the Boomerang for several years. He then went to Denver, where he worked for a time as reporter, going from there to Salt Lake City to work on the Tribune. It is said that he left Salt Lake City on account of an article he had written criticizing Brigham Young, head of the Mormon church. Later, he was connected with the Topeka Capitol and in 1908 returned to Omaha, where he was first with the World Herald and later with the Bee, where he remained until his death.

Mary Rebecca Kent, after her graduation from Glendale Female College at Glendale, Ohio, in 1874, taught school for a few years and then, in 1879, accepted a position as private secretary to the General Freight Agent of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railroad at Kansas City. In 1884 she came to Chicago, where she was connected with the Monon Route for about 26 years, the last ten years of which time she was in charge of the Purchasing Department. She retired in 1910, and has since been living with her brother Arthur Scott Kent in Chicago.

Gertrude Kent married Frank Wesley Hurlburt in 1882. He has been in the train service of the Wabash for about sixty years, and is now living in Detroit. Their son, Arthur Kent Hurlburt, has been with the Detroit Edison Company for about 25 years. For the past 16 years he has been its Employment Manager. He and his family live in Grosse Pointe Park, a suburb of Detroit.

Ella Kent was agent and telegraph operator of the Wabash at Williamsport for more than 20 years, retiring from that position about 35 years ago. She still makes her home in Williamsport, although spending much of her time in Danville and Chicago.

Perrin Herbert Kent was in the Traffic Department of the Hannibal & St. Joseph at Kansas City and later was connected with different railroads in Chicago. At the time of his death he was in the employ of the C. H. & D. Ry. in Toledo, Ohio.

Arthur Scott Kent has been in the Civil Engineering Department of the Monon Route in Chicago continuously since 1891, filling various positions on the technical staff. For more than 21 years he has been its Chief Engineer.

Marguerite Inez, daughter of William Hitchens Kent, was Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment for the soldiers at Fort Omaha, Neb., serving during the period the United States was in the World War, 1917-18. Her husband, Stuart C. Wigg, to whom she was married in 1910, entered the work of the National War Work Council of the Y.M.C.A. Dec. 1, 1917, at Camp Cody, Deming, N. M. Early in 1919 he was appointed Reconstruction War Work Secretary for the State of Texas, with headquarters at Palestine, Tex. He left the Y.M.C.A. service in August, 1920, at which time he was located at Dallas, Texas.

John Wallace Kent was born in Ross County, Ohio, June 24, 1823, the son of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent. He came with his parents at an early age to what is now Kent Township, Warren County, Indiana, where he remained until early manhood. After the completion of the Toledo, Wabash & Western Railway he was, for about two years, its paymaster. He was then employed by Ellsworth & Co., a land company, to locate, improve and sell lands. He remained with them for about fifteen years, during which time he also continued to operate his own farms in Warren County, Indiana, and Vermilion County, Illinois, which farms contained altogether nearly two thousand acres. They consisted principally of pasture land and he specialized in breeding short-horn cattle and Berkshire swine.

After his marriage he lived for several years on one of his farms in Steuben Township, Warren County, near Marshfield. He then moved to the farm in Mound Township about two and one-half miles south-east of State Line City, where he continued to reside until 1883. He then went to Danville, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Sarah Kent was the last child of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent to be born in Ross County, Ohio, her parents moving to Warren County, Indiana, when she was a few weeks old. She married Supply Woods in 1850. They lived on a farm near State Line until his death, four years later. After the death of her husband she returned to her father's home, where she lived until some little time after the marriage of her daughter Mary to Olney Newell, when she made her home with them for the remainder of her life.

Mary Woods married Olney Newell in 1874. He practiced law in Lebanon, Indiana, for about five years and then went to Huerfano County, Colorado, to engage in sheep raising. Two years later, in 1881, he established and edited the Trinidad (Colo.) News. While in Trinidad he invented the double-deck car as well as a feed and water car for live stock. In 1886 he went to Denver as editor of the Live Stock Journal. He was active in Democratic politics and in newspaper work until his death. For a number of years he contributed the "Jason Pepper" letters to the Rocky Mountain News. They were homely philosophy and humor, written in rural dialect.

Sara Newell was in newspaper work prior to her marriage to Frank C. Farrar, her work including dramatics for the Rocky Mountain News. Her husband was managing editor of the Rocky Mountain News and later of the Seattle Post Intelligencer and the San Francisco Bulletin.

Gordon Newell is a construction engineer. For some years he has been in the employ of the Continental Oil Company, with headquarters in Marion, Virginia.

Mary Newell taught in various western schools until 1918, when she went overseas and served for about six months in canteen work in Paris. Upon returning to America at the close of the World War she entered Columbia University, receiving the degree of B.S. in 1926 and the degree of Master of Arts in 1929, having in the meantime taught in various schools, including Skidmore College at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. She is now head of the home economics department of the Salem Indian School at Chemawa, Oregon.

Thomas Dill Kent, fifth child of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent, was born in Warren County, Indiana, about two years after the family moved from Ross County, Ohio, and settled in their new home. He attended Wabash College at Crawfordsville, Ind., being in the class of 1851, but on account of ill health, was unable to complete his college course.

For a few years during the eighteen-fifties and possibly the early sixties, he was in charge of his brother William's store and grain business at Marshfield, Ind. Later, he acquired the store, which he continued to operate until his death.

He was a man of the highest character and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the entire community in which he lived. It is said that the people of Marshfield and surrounding territory frequently asked him to arbitrate their disputes instead of going to law, and that they invariably accepted his decision as final.

Jennie Isabel Kent was about five months old when her father died. A few years later her mother moved to Albion, New York, and then to Urbana, Ills., where Jennie attended the University of Illinois. She afterward attended the Emerson School of Oratory in Boston. It was while in Boston that she met her future husband, Charles C. Paine, to whom she was married after her return to her home in Urbana. Mr. Paine is a lineal descendant of Peregrine White, who was born in the cabin of the Mayflower at Provincetown, and on both his father's and mother's side goes back to many of the first settlers in the Pilgrim Colony of Plymouth. He is an attorney at law, and has practiced his profession during the past thirty-eight years in all of the courts of Massachusetts. For eight or ten years he was Special Justice of the First District Court of Barnstable.

During the World War, Mr. Paine was Chief of the License Division in the Bureau of Imports of the War Trade Board in Washington. Shortly after the close of the war he went to Warsaw, Poland, where he had an American law office and was special representative of several New York law firms doing business in that country. He remained in Poland for about four years, his wife and daughter, Priscilla, joining him there and remaining with him until his return to America.

Virginia Paine was a student in Smith College while her parents and sister were in Poland. While in college, she became acquainted with William White Keifer, Jr., who was at the time engaged in business in New York and whom she afterward married. He is the son of a prominent lawyer in Springfield, Ohio, and a grandson of Major General Joseph Warren Keifer, at one time Speaker of the House of Representatives in Washington.

Priscilla Paine, after her return from Warsaw, attended Emerson College, Boston, from which she graduated after a four-year course. After leaving college, she taught in the High School

in the Town of Bridgewater, near Boston. She married Raymond S. Hills in February, 1932.

Rebecca Dill Kent, third daughter and sixth child of Perrin and Rebecca (Dill) Kent, was born in the log cabin home of her parents in Warren County, Indiana, four years after the family moved from Ohio. She was educated in private and subscription schools, maintained largely by her parents, supplemented by personal instruction by her mother. She was married to Ralph Erskine Carmichael in December, 1852. Throughout her married life she lived on a farm about one-half mile west of the house in which she was born.

After the death of her husband in the fall of 1858 Rebecca, with her son, returned to her father's home, a large brick house which had been built in 1840, and which is still standing. Here she made her home until her death, with the exception of about two years during which she kept house for her brother Thomas, following the death of his first wife, and another short interval during which she kept house for her brother John. Upon the death of her mother in 1863, care of the home was placed on Rebecca's shoulders, and so continued, with the exceptions mentioned, until the death of her father in 1882, when the farm passed into her possession by inheritance.

Rebecca died in November, 1887, and lies beside her husband and with many of the family in Gopher Hill Cemetery, a part of the old farm on which she was born.

Ralph Erskine Carmichael, husband of Rebecca, was the grandson of John Carmichael, who was born in the Highlands of Scotland and came to America with the British Expeditionary Forces in 1758. He was at the taking of Quebec the following year, during the French and Indian War, and is said to have been the third man to scale the Heights of Abraham in that battle. He was an aide to General Wolfe and supported him when he was dying. John Carmichael was a private in the 3rd Pennsylvania Regiment in the Revolutionary War and was one of twenty-nine Revolutionary patriots who settled in Mercer County, Penna., when that district was opened for settlement about 1800. Duncan Carmichael, son of John, went west in 1810 and settled in Indiana, and it is there that his son, Ralph Erskine Carmichael, was born.

William Perrin Carmichael, after his graduation from Wabash College in 1879, spent four years in business in Indianapolis, and then returned to his old home in Kent Township to assist his mother in caring for the farm. He was appointed County Surveyor of Warren County, Indiana, in 1886, which position he held for eight years. In 1893 he organized the Williamsport Stone Company and a little later the Carmichael Construction Company. They did a great deal of construction work, principally railroad structures, for the Wabash Railroad, as well as in the southwest and in Mexico. In 1910 he became Vice President and General Manager of the Unit Construction Company of St. Louis, combining his own construction and gravel producing business with that of the Unit company. He was with the latter company about four years, then resumed his railroad construction work under the name of the Carmichael Cryder Company. Altogether, he was engaged in this kind of work about 34 years. Since 1931 he has been a director and treasurer of the Midwest Consolidated Utilities, Inc. at St. Louis, Mo.

Katherine Norris Carmichael began the study of music at an early age, receiving instructions from several competent musicians and graduating from the Kroeger School of Music in St. Louis in 1913. From 1918 to 1928 she was organist of the West Presbyterian Church and later of the Church of the Holy Communion (Episcopal), both of St. Louis. During the months of July and August, she is director of the choir of Winona Lake Institutions and is the official accompanist at the annual Winona Lake Bible Conference. It is said that she resembles her grandmother (Rebecca Kent) in personal appearance and characteristics.

Josiah Kent, eldest son of Joseph B. and Elizabeth (Staley) Kent, was killed in 1838 by a falling tree which he was helping his father cut. It is probable that this occurred in Warren County, Indiana.

Jesse Kent, third son of Joseph and Elizabeth, went to California when a young man, during a gold rush. He became a packmaster and at one time is said to have owned a record number of pack teams and to have become quite wealthy. During one of his

trips he was massacred by Indians. It is believed that he married while in California, but this is not certain.

Absalom D. Kent, youngest son of Joseph and Elizabeth, engaged in farming until 1863 and then, on April 14 of that year, left St. Joseph, Mo. in charge of an ox-train for Virginia City, Nevada. This was the first direct attempt to penetrate this portion of the wilderness. The train made a successful trip, arriving at its destination June 27, 1863. Four years later, Absalom constructed a fleet of Mackinaw boats at Canyon Ferry, Montana, loaded them with passengers and freight and piloted them down the Missouri River to St. Joseph, Mo., which place they reached on Oct. 25, 1867. He then returned to farming, specializing in the raising of fine horses.

Charles Kent, son of Absalom D. and Mary E. (Bedford) Kent, followed farming as an occupation until 1918, his farm being near the village of Rea, Andrew County, Mo. In that year he entered the chain grocery business at Savannah, under the name of "The Basket Stores." He left this firm in 1921 and was employed for a time by the Kansas City Star to aid in a sales campaign throughout northwest Missouri. In 1924 he purchased a farm near Savannah, where he lived until his death in 1932.

Of the three children of Charles Kent the eldest, Lloyd Bedford Kent, is in the claim department of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Philadelphia. Lillian Pauline and Mildred Helen are at present teachers in the country schools in Andrew County, Mo.

Josiah Pillow Kent, son of Jesse Harrison and Lydia A. (Walker) Kent, spent his boyhood days in Springfield, Ills. and later entered railroad train service, where he continued at intervals for twelve years. He afterward engaged in mining in California, Nevada and Mexico. In the summer of 1873 he was on the survey of the Northern Pacific Railway. In 1880 he took up farming in Sangamon County, Ills., continuing in this work until his retirement in 1912. He was in the Civil War, his record being given in Chapter VII. His son, James Murrell Kent, was sheriff of Sangamon County for four years beginning in December, 1926. He was then Inspector in the Department of Conservation of the State of Illinois until February 1st, 1933.

Elisha Hitchens was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, August 10, 1806. His parents were George and Sarah (England) Hitchens. In early life he served an apprenticeship to the blacksmith trade, following it until 1828, when he started a store at Clarksburg, in the northern part of Ross County. In 1832 he went to East Liberty, Logan County, Ohio, where he engaged in business until the fall of 1836. He then went to LaFayette, Indiana, and was for a short time a partner in a general store at that place. He then returned to Logan County, where he remained until 1841, at which time he moved to Williamsport, Indiana, where he spent the remainder of his life.

In 1846, he and William Kent, his future son in law, formed a partnership in a general store in Williamsport under the firm name of Kent & Hitchens. They continued in this business until 1855. They were also in the grain trade for several years.

For a number of years prior to 1870 he was agent for the Wabash Railway at Williamsport, and in 1873 was appointed Postmaster at that place, which position he held for twelve years.

On June 11, 1826, he was married to Miss Mary King in Ross County, Ohio. After 53 years of married life, she died on August 19, 1879. He survived her for nearly 18 years, passing away March 24, 1897, aged 90 years, 7 months, 14 days. Both he and his wife are buried in Hillside Cemetery at Williamsport, Ind.

William King is said to have been six feet two inches tall, very austere in manner, with large black eyes, black hair and dark complexion. He was in the Revolutionary War, being a private in the First Battalion, Second Establishment, Continental Troops from New Jersey. He was married twice, his first wife being Mary West and his second wife Hannah Fennimore, our great-grandmother. Hannah was born in Mt. Holly, N. J., and after her marriage the family continued to live there until about 1801, when they moved to Ross County, Ohio. In 1809 William King, while going through a corn-field, was struck in the eye by a blade of corn, resulting in total blindness. He died in 1818. After his death, his widow lived with her children, and at the time of her death was with her daughter Jane in Columbus, Ohio.

Hannah Fennimore King was a very remarkable woman. There was a saying in the family that none of her children or grandchildren were as smart as she. Many stories about her early life became family traditions. It was said that when she was a little girl a British soldier came to her house and taking her on his knee, taught her to say "I am a damned little rebel." Child-like, she repeated this after he was gone, greatly shocking her mother. On another occasion, during the siege of Philadelphia, a company of British soldiers came to their house, took all the furniture into the yard, scattered the feathers from the beds to the four winds and then set fire to the furniture. They made Hannah, a little girl, dance for them. Her father, William Fennimore, was furious. He took off his Quaker coat and placing it on the burning furniture, said "Damn Quakerism. I will have my revenge." It is said he entered the Continental army. However, his name does not appear in the list of New Jersey troops, and while he may have enlisted in another colony, the authenticity of the narrative cannot be definitely established at this time.

The Fennimores were slave owners, but always treated their slaves kindly. One Sunday Hannah Fennimore, then Mrs. King, went home from church with a friend. Soon after arriving at the house, the friend had one of the slaves whipped for some offense. When she came back into the room, she found Hannah with her bonnet on. In her surprise she said "Why, Mrs. King, what are you going to do?" Our great-grandmother replied "I cannot stay and see one of God's creatures abused. I am going home."

Nimrod Rochester married Jane King in Chillicothe, Ohio, December 20, 1820. He was born in Richmond County, Virginia, March 28, 1794, and served in the War of 1812. After their marriage they went to Columbus to live. In 1833 there was an epidemic of cholera and Jane King Rochester and all of the children except Jeremiah had gone to the country. Hannah Jane, the youngest daughter, was only four months old at the time. Jerry, a ten year old boy, stayed with his father to help get in some grain, after which they were to join the wife and mother. They were both stricken with the cholera, died and were buried before the family received word of their illness.

In 1836 Jane Rochester moved to LaFayette, her brother George taking her there. She first went to her brother, Ebenezer

King, who lived six miles from LaFayette, on Wild Cat Creek. She afterward bought a small house on the corner of 4th and South streets in LaFayette, where they lived until her death in September, 1842. After Jane Rochester's death her sister, Rhoda King, took care of the children. Rhoda died of cholera in the epidemic of 1854.

CHAPTER VII.

Military Record.

It is probable that members of our family have served in the military and naval forces of the United States and the Colonies in all of the wars in which the country has been engaged during the past two hundred years. Lack of time, however, has prevented me from making the investigation which the subject demands. It is believed that even this partial record is of enough importance to justify its inclusion in the present volume.

The Colonial Wars.

Matthew Dill, our great-great-great-grandfather, served in the Association Regiments of Pennsylvania as a Captain of foot soldiers in Col. Benjamin Chambers' Regiment in 1747-8. He may also have served in the same capacity three or four years previously.

The Revolution.

William Kent, our great-grandfather, was in the Revolutionary War. He was in the company of militia under Capt. Breen and Gen. George Clark. He entered the service about June 1, 1781, and was discharged the latter part of December of the same year. About three months later, he was drafted for one month to help finish a fort at Louisville, Ky. When his term expired, he served again for one month as a substitute for Isaac Keller. He was granted a pension, having made declaration regarding his right on Feby. 13, 1832, at which time he was living in Ross County, Ohio.

William King, our great-grandfather on the maternal side of the house, served as a private in Capt. M'Mires' Company, in Col. Mathias Ogden's Regiment, First Battalion, Second Establishment, Continental Troops, Jersey Line. (See "Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War" by William S. Stryker).

War of 1812.

Perrin Kent was in Capt. McElwen's Company of Ohio Militia in the War of 1812. He was granted a pension in 1871, his name being on the Roll of the Indianapolis, Ind. Agency, as evidenced by Certificate No. 1498 of the Department of the Interior.

Robert Dill, brother of Rebecca (Dill) Kent, was in the War of 1812.

Charles King, son of William and Hannah (Fennimore) King, is said to have fought in the Battle of Lake Erie, generally known as "Perry's Victory."

Nimrod Rochester, who married Jane King, served as a private in Capt. William Middleton's Company, 111th Parker's Virginia Militia, from Nov. 2, 1813, to Nov. 17, 1813. He was also a private in the 41st Virginia Militia, attached to the 111th Regiment, from July 25th, 1814, to Sept. 25th, 1814.

The Mexican War.

Levin Smith Hitchens, brother of Elisha Hitchens and uncle of Martha Jane (Hitchens) Kent, served in Company K, 2nd Ohio Infantry, in the Mexican War. The date of his enlistment is not known. He was honorably discharged in 1848.

The Civil War.

John Perrin Lucas, grandson of Perrin Kent, was a Corporal in Company E, 54th Indiana Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War. He was enrolled Sept. 15, 1862, at State Line City, Warren County, Indiana, for one year, and was mustered into the service at Indianapolis on October 30, 1862. He was wounded in action at Chickasaw Bayou, Mississippi, December 28, 1862. He was honorably discharged May 7, 1863, by reason of disability (injury to spine) caused by the explosion of a shell.

James Taylor Kent, son of Josiah Pillow Kent, enlisted in the navy at Cairo, Ills., and was assigned to duty on the Mississippi River.

James H. Kent, son of Jesse Harrison and Lydia A. (Walker) Kent, served in Company I, Seventh Illinois Regiment, from 1861

to 1864. He was wounded in Gen. Sherman's Georgia Campaign, known as the "March to the Sea."

Josiah Pillow Kent, brother of James H. Kent, although not quite seventeen years old at the time, enlisted in Company A, 133rd Illinois Infantry, in April, 1864. He was honorably discharged in October, 1864.

George Hitchens, uncle of Martha Jane (Hitchens) Kent, enlisted on August 14th, 1862, at Williamsport, Indiana, to serve three years, or during the war. He was mustered into the service of the United States at LaFayette, Ind., Sept. 4th, 1862, as First Lieutenant of Capt. Philip Gemmer's Company E, 86th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Col. Orville S. Hamilton, commanding. His regiment was assigned to duty in defense of Covington, Ky. until Sept. 20th, when it was attached to the Fourteenth Brigade, Fifth Division, Army of the Ohio, which for two months pursued the Confederate General, Braxton Bragg, across the State of Kentucky. Upon the formation of the Army of the Cumberland, Lieutenant Hitchens' regiment was assigned to duty with the Second Brigade, Third Division, Twenty-first Army Corps, and took part in the Battle of Stone River (or Murfreesboro), Tennessee, on December 31, 1862, and January 1st and 2nd, 1863. The army afterward moved into Murfreesboro and there Mr. Hitchens was honorably discharged on May 10, 1863, by reason of resignation.

John H. Kirker, who married Florence Hitchens, daughter of Levin Smith Hitchens, enlisted on Sept. 6, 1864, and was assigned to Company H, 193rd Ohio Infantry. He was honorably discharged on June 26, 1865.

Levin T. Miller, who married Sarah C. Hitchens, sister of Martha Jane (Hitchens) Kent, organized Company K, 33rd Indiana Volunteer Infantry, in Williamsport, Ind., and was elected its Captain. His commission was dated Sept. 6, 1861, and he was mustered into the service Sept. 16th of that year. He was promoted to Major Nov. 10, 1862. On March 5, 1863, he was captured by the Confederates at the Battle of Thompson's Station, Tennessee, and sent to Libby Prison at Richmond, Va., reaching there March 21st. He was exchanged on May 5th of the same year and taken to City Point, where he was put on board the steamer "State of Maine" for Baltimore. He was in command of his regiment

during the entire Atlanta campaign, during which he was wounded at the Battle of New Hope Church on June 1st, 1864. He resigned his commission Sept. 2, 1864, and was brevetted Colonel the same year.

FRANKLIN BLADES was a surgeon in the Civil War. He was brought home to die, but recovered and lived until 1914. After the war he studied law, becoming a successful lawyer. At one time he was Judge of the Superior Court in Illinois. He moved to California in 1889, where he spent the remainder of his life. In 1854 he married Jane King, daughter of George and Delilah (DeVault) King.

BENJAMIN F. DELAPLANE, who married Harriet Harrison, daughter of Jane (Dill) and James Harrison, was a private in Company F, 12th Regiment of Michigan Infantry. He was enrolled Nov. 17, 1861, as a physician, to serve three years. He was honorably discharged Dec. 30, 1862, at Newark, N. J. by reason of a surgeon's certificate of disability. He was granted a pension May 27, 1893, for paralysis, the result of chronic diarrhoea and prison life.

SPANISH AMERICAN WAR.

FRANK HARRISON KENT, only child of Josiah Pillow and Louise (Rogers) Kent, served in the Spanish American War.

THE WORLD WAR.

LAWRENCE EDGAR CROWE, son of Jennie B. (Kent) Crowe and great-grandson of Perrin Kent, enlisted at Indianapolis, Ind. Dec. 8, 1917, for service in the World War. He entered training March 2, 1918, at State University ground school (Aviation) at Columbus, Ohio, and later was sent to Dayton. From there he went to Camp Meade at Baltimore, Md. on July 3, 1918, where he was transferred from the Aviation Corps to the Ammunition Train. He sailed from Philadelphia July 14, 1918, on H. M. S. Haverford. This ship joined a convoy of 23 ships at Halifax and then, guarded by a British Battle Cruiser, proceeded to Liverpool, England, where they arrived on July 31st. He reached Le Havre, France, August 5, and on Sept. 16 was assigned to Company A, 304th Ammunition Train, 79th Division, A. E. F. He saw action in the

Meuse-Argonne drive at Verdun and at St. Mihiel. On May 16, 1919, he sailed from St. Nazaire on the Minnesotan, arriving at Charleston, S. C. May 29. From there he was sent to Camp Jackson at Columbia, S. C. and thence to Camp Taylor at Louisville, Ky., where he was honorably discharged June 10, 1919, as 1st Class Private.

Frank John Giddings, son of Mary (DuBois) Giddings and great-grandson of Perrin Kent, enlisted on May 21, 1918, at Danville, Ills. He was first sent to St. Louis for equipment and was then assigned to Machine Gun Company, 14th Infantry, stationed at Spokane, Wash. He was promoted to Sergeant, 1st Class. On Sept. 20, 1918, he was sent to Camp Dodge, Iowa, and on Oct. 1st was transferred to the 87th Infantry. He was honorably discharged on Jany. 28, 1919, as Sergeant, 1st Class.

Charles W. Elder, son of Charlotte Amelia (Lucas) Elder and great-great-grandson of Perrin Kent, was in Company E, 110th Ammunition Train. He entered the service Oct. 1, 1917, at Anthony, Kansas. His unit was a part of the 35th Division. He was in the Vosges sector from August 21st to Sept. 3rd, 1918, and was then held in reserve at St. Mihiel until Sept. 16th. The 35th Division was in the Argonne battle for six days, from Sept. 26th to Oct. 2nd, but the Ammunition Train, which was hauling ammunition to the Field Artillery, could not be relieved until two days later. At the time of the Armistice, they were in front of Verdun. He was held in France until April, 1919, and then returned to America. He was honorably discharged April 14, 1919.

Oliver G. Thomas, son of Florence (Gordon) Thomas and great-great-grandson of William and Hannah (Fennimore) King, enlisted at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, May 1, 1918, as a private in the Engineer's Section of the National Army, and was assigned to Headquarters Company, 48th Engineers Regiment. He remained at Fort Benjamin Harrison until July 23, 1918, and was then sent to Camp Merritt, New Jersey. He embarked from Hoboken, N. J. July 31, 1918, arriving at Brest, France, on August 12th. He was promoted to Sergeant June 16, 1918, and to Sergeant, 1st Class, May 21, 1919. He was in the hospital with influenza from Jany. 21 to May 16, 1919. The greater portion of his time in France was spent at the headquarters of the Railroad Transpor-

tation Company with 12 officers and 44 men operating the American Railroad for the advance sector. He sailed on the Julia Lukenbuck, arriving in New York June 28, 1919, and was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman, Ohio, July 3, 1919, as Sergeant, 1st Class.

Philip G. Gillespie, who married Helen Katherine Powell, great-great-granddaughter of Perrin Kent, enlisted at Danville, Ills., July 20, 1918, at the age of eighteen. He served in the 355th Mobile Unit. He was honorably discharged in August, 1919. In September, 1920, he reenlisted in the army at Danville and served in Headquarters Battery, 15th Field Artillery, 2nd Division. He was wounded by shell fire at Leon Springs, Texas. After five months in the hospital, he was honorably discharged in June, 1921, at Camp Custer, Michigan, as Sergeant.

William White Keifer, Jr., who married Virginia Paine, great-granddaughter of Perrin Kent, was First Lieutenant in the 56th Pioneer Infantry during the World War.

George Hitchens Kirker, grandson of Levin Smith Hitchens, enlisted Jany. 24, 1918. He was a private in Casual Company, 741st M. M. S. C. He was honorably discharged June 9, 1918 at Camp Hancock, Georgia, on account of disability (tuberculosis following pleuro-pneumonia). He died June 28, 1918, at Montello, Nevada.

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